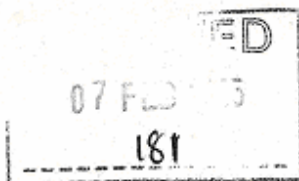


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Dear Neil

#### **KARANGA AOTEAROA REPATRIATION PROGRAMME**

The purpose of this letter is to follow up the meeting you had with Te Papa on 17 November 2004. Firstly, we would like to thank you for the opportunity to meet with you and your staff during our recent visit. We appreciate the time that was spent with us, and the energy and enthusiasm with which we were greeted.

We appreciated the opportunity to share with you further information about Te Papa's Karanga Aotearoa Repatriation Programme, and other potential relationship opportunities between Te Papa and the British Museum, including loans and exhibition possibilities. We acknowledge the requirement of the British Museum to be cognisant of the local environment when considering issues such as repatriation, and ensuring the consistency of approach to these requests.

As indicated at the meeting we will provide you with further information regarding what happens to the remains following repatriation. We note that you indicated Te Papa would be sent information on the holdings of Māori and Moriori human remains held within your institution, and appreciate the promptness with which these were sent to Te Papa.

Once again, thank you for your time and hospitality. We look forward to touching base with you again when we are next in London.



Please do not hesitate to contact Catherine Nesus should you require any further information or require clarification on any of the information in this letter.

Sincerely



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