

Update re: Treaty Principles Bill

- On 7 November 2024 the Treaty Principles Bill was introduced into Parliament.
- The Waitangi Tribunal's report on the Bill: <https://www.waitangitribunal.govt.nz/en/news-2/all-articles/news/tribunal-releases-report-on-treaty-principles-bill> .
- Submissions are open from now until 7 January 2025.
- Submission guides are available from a range of organisations. Tina Ngata's guide is here: <https://www.patreon.com/posts/koekoea-treaty-116538500>, and Koekoeā has gathered links to guides and related resources here: <https://linktr.ee/koekoeaa> .

Please make your personal submission now and ask your organisation(s) to make one too.

This Government's Coalition agreement is being prioritised over the 184 year Treaty agreement that embraces our country's past, present and future.

NWŌ recognises the text in te reo as the Treaty.

No English language version was signed at Waitangi on 6 February 1840.

Any NWŌ references to the Treaty/Te Tiriti are to that text in te reo.

There are no substitutes.

**Te Tiriti was always a generous invitation from Tangata Whenua for us all to live together in peace and mutual benefit
- and we can still live into that promise!**

“LIBERAL MULTICULTURALISM”

When politicians (like David Seymour) talk about the Treaty Principles Bill that supposedly works in favour of an ‘equal’ and ‘multicultural’ society, this is what it looks like:

- The Crown maintains sovereignty over all of Aotearoa
- Te Tiriti is not honoured and the sovereign status of hapū is disregarded
- Māori are not required to be part of national decision-making processes as Indigenous people
- Everyone in Aotearoa abides by settler systems (e.g. settler law) rather than Indigenous systems (e.g. tikanga)

Sounds pretty ‘monocultural’ to us!

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David Seymour:
“We see the Treaty as affording the rights of tino rangatiratanga to *all* New Zealanders, not only those who are Māori.”

EXCEPT THIS IS NOT WHAT TE TIRITI SAYS.

“LIBERAL MULTICULTURALISM”

These narratives are going to try to convince us of the myth of ‘Māori privilege’, that the promises made in Te Tiriti is what caused our experiences of racism, discrimination, marginalisation and violence in Aotearoa.

This seeks to distract and redirect blame on Māori when colonial white supremacy is the problem.

We must equip ourselves with the language to oppose liberal multiculturalism and the Treaty Principles Bill.

The above slides are from Asians supporting Tino Rangatiratanga(AsTR): <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1JjZiFTPth/>

Also see AsTR - Talking points for honouring Te Tiriti: https://asians4tino.weebly.com/uploads/1/3/2/0/132062306/honouring_te_tiriti_talking_points-2.pdf

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