The Tangata Tiriti Checklist – by Tina Ngata

I demonstrate knowledge and awareness of Te Tiriti o Waitangi	I actively seek opportunities to share power with, or cede power to mana whenua
○ I recognise Te Tiriti o Waitangi as the source of my rights as a non-Māori to call Aotearoa home	○ I respect the mana of Te Tiriti o Waitangi as a means of protection from the forces of racism and colonialism
□ I accept that protecting and promoting Te Tiriti o Waitangi is the responsibility of every New Zealander, not just Māori	I acknowledge that my personal discomfort is not as important as addressing the discomfort of colonial injustice
○ I recognise my own privilege as someone who has benefited from violations of Te Tiriti o Waitangi	
■ I understand that my intergenerational privilege has created blindspots for my own entitlement, and strive to limit my own entitlement	○ I have dismissed my colonial fear of Te Reo Māori, land back, co-governance, a tiriti- centered constitution or other forms of Tiriti justice in Aotearoa
I am pro-active in ensuring my organisation has an effective Tiriti o Waitangi policy	○ I don't make it about me when Māori need privacy and space to themselves
I recognise and accept that equity is not the same as equality	○ I strive to seek out ways I can support mana whenua on their own terms, such as donating to local marae, supporting fundraising by a local kohanga reo or kura, supportively submitting to government on issues that matter to them, or supporting local Māori businesses
I am involved in projects and campaigns that support Te Tiriti o Waitangi	
 □ I appreciate and respect that Māori have carried the burden of defending and protecting Te Tiriti 	
I acknowledge that the Crown government is a Tiriti violation	○ I take my time out to consistently learn about Te Tiriti o Waitangi and stay connected to it as an evolving discipline
I am aware of who the local mana whenua are for my community	I strategise and work with local mana whenua on Tiriti justice
I can identify a Tiriti violation and can call it out	I recognise that kawanatanga is a lesser level of authority than rangatiratanga
○ I recognise Te Tiriti o Waitangi as the only valid treaty between Māori and the Crown, and reject the "two versions" fiction	○ I recognise that I have a responsibility to educate my own pākeha community (without talking over Māori)
As a Non-Māori, I strive to not consume a hui with my own reckons	I support a Tiriti centered constitution for Aotearoa-New Zealand
If mana whenua for my community have a tribunal report, I have read it and understand the history of Tiriti injustice for my area	□ I actively and vocally oppose the Treaty Principles Bill and any other disrespect toward the legal and political status of Te Tiriti o Waitangi

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