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Subject: National Erebus Memorial media release - for your information - under embargo

Kia ora Pippa

I just tried to call, and am happy to talk to you tonight if you wish – I'm on 9 (2) (a).

Please see below for a copy of the release about the National Erebus Memorial, which will go out tonight, embargoed until 5am tomorrow.

Please treat the release as confidential until that time.

The release does not mention the specifics of the site. We are not of course at the point of announcing that, and will not comment on it in response to any media. (Please likewise decline if asked about a specific site!)

Thank you so much for your support.

With best wishes,

Ngā mihi,

Sarah Ingram

Media release

6 November 2018

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Call for National Erebus Memorial designs

Manatū Taonga, the Ministry for Culture and Heritage welcomes expressions of interest from architects, artists, landscape architects and designers, for the National Erebus Memorial planned to mark the 40th anniversary since the accident.

“Government has approved \$3 million in funding for the establishment of this Memorial, which will be a fitting place for remembrance, reflection and contemplation,” says acting Chief Executive Manatū Taonga, Ministry for Culture and Heritage Renee Graham.

“The National Erebus Memorial will honour the 257 passengers and crew who were aboard the flight, and provide a place where people can come to pay their respects.

“Manatū Taonga is now accepting expressions of interest for the Memorial’s design, which is likely to be located in Auckland,” said Renee Graham.

She says it’s appropriate to commemorate the victims of one of this country’s most tragic events, and for the Memorial to be in Auckland.

“This will be well-received by many family members of the Erebus victims and acknowledges the departure location of the flight.

“Manatū Taonga is working with Auckland Council, iwi, local government and community groups to select an appropriate site,” said Renee Graham.

“The Ministry is also working with the families of those who lost loved ones, and other interested groups, towards the creation of the Memorial in 2020.

“The design brief includes ideas and information from those families and groups about what they would like the Memorial to include.

“I am pleased the design process is now underway,” said Renee Graham.

Expressions of Interest can be submitted until 25 November 2018. Details about the design brief, decision selection process and how to submit an Expression of Interest are available on Manatū Taonga’s website: <https://mch.govt.nz/national-erebus-memorial>

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