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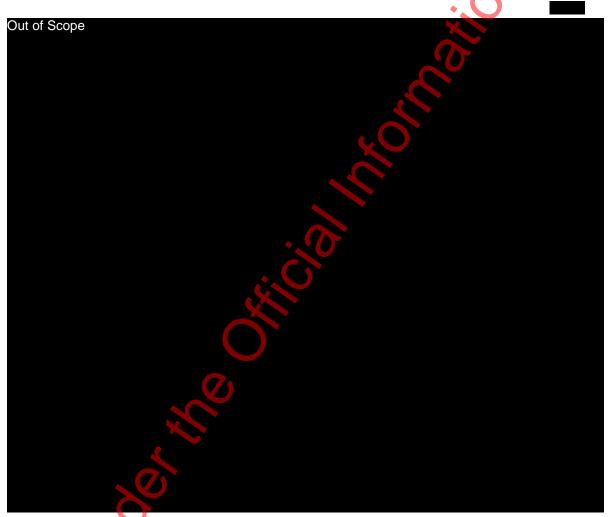
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Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa (Te Papa)

### Recent protest action

- A protest action occurred at Te Papa on Monday 11 December 2023, and the wooden display panel showing the English translation of Te Tiriti o Waitangi was damaged with spray paint and a power tool.
- No museum collection items were damaged, and protesters were removed from the premises by Police.

• The focus for Te Papa is on the safety of everyone in the museum, and on the protection of the taonga in its care.

### Next steps

 Manatū Taonga will engage with Te Papa on any impending investigation into the security of the museum and the safety of staff and visitors.

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### Update on protest action regarding the Te Tiriti display

- In late December 2023 Te Papa was advised that a further protest by Te Waka Hourua could take place. Te Papa undertook a number of precautions, including an approach to defuse and de-escalate as much as possible prior to the protest action.
- The proposed precautions were successful, and a meeting undertaken with Te Waka Hourua leaders on the morning of the subsequent protest was productive.
- Te Papa has advised that the defaced panels will remain on display over the summer period and that the exhibition will be renewed, however this will take time.
- Te Papa is undertaking a full review of the initial protest incident.

#### Next steps

The Ministry will continue to update you once Te Papa has completed its review into the protest action.

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Officials provided your office with a copy of an OIA Te Papa has responded to regarding the protest action undertaken on 11 December 2023, and information to date on the anticipated next steps for the exhibition.

#### Next steps

We will provide your office with any further updates on the protest action.

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