

WELLINGTON



11 April 2011

The Hon John Key
Prime Minister
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
Executive Wing
Parliament Buildings
WELLINGTON 6011

Dear Prime Minister,

RE: Giant panda

Recently our Chief Executive, Karen Fifield, was advised by your Chief Executive, Maarten Wevers, that the acquisition of Giant panda for New Zealand is on hold for the foreseeable future. We understand this is as a result of the Christchurch earthquake rebuilding project.

We are fully aware that the rebuilding of Christchurch must take priority for our government. However we would like to have written confirmation from your department that Wellington Zoo will be contacted should the Giant panda project be revisited in the future.

We are very keen to be part of this acquisition and greatly support your initiative to host Giant panda.

Should you wish to discuss this please don't hesitate to contact me on either email ross@zepelin.co.nz or mobile phone 021 434 705.

Yours sincerely,

Ross Martin
Chair
Wellington Zoo Trust