

Rt Hon Winston Peters

Minister of Foreign Affairs
Minister for Racing
Minister for Rail



30 March 2026

Heather Simpson
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Dear Heather Simpson

Appointment as Deputy Chair of the Board of the New Zealand Antarctic Institute

It is our pleasure to inform you that we have appointed you as Deputy Chair of the New Zealand Antarctic Institute Board commencing on 1 April 2026 and ending on 25 February 2027.

Legislative Framework of the Appointment

Your appointment is made under, and in accordance with, the New Zealand Antarctic Institute Act 1996 and the Crown Entities Act 2004.

In addition to those sections of the Crown Entities Act which relate generally to board membership, we encourage you to familiarise yourself with the specific provisions in the Act dealing with the role of a deputy chair (Schedule 5).

Conflicts of Interest

We encourage you to continually disclose to the Chair of the New Zealand Antarctic Institute Board or Responsible Minister, as appropriate, any potential or perceived conflicts which may arise during your tenure.

Remuneration

The fee for service as Deputy Chair and Member is \$27,500 per annum.

Acknowledgment of the Appointment

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and confirm your acceptance of the appointment.

We wish you well for your term.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Winston Peters'.

Rt Hon Winston Peters
Minister of Foreign Affairs

cc Leon Grice, Chair and Jordy Hendriks, Chief Executive, Antarctica New Zealand