



[6] The memorandum also seeks a direction that the Crown confirm to the applicant whether or not it intends to enter into direct negotiations and when those negotiations might commence.

[7] The Court does not have the jurisdiction to direct the Crown in such matters. The Crown has issued the “Takutai Moana draft Crown Engagement Strategy” setting out its preliminary views in relation to the proposed time for engagement. The timeline set out in that document are yet to be confirmed. However, they indicate that it could be up to 20 years before the Crown engages with some applicants.

[8] The applicant in this matter will need to determine whether, once the timeline is finalised, she still wishes to engage with the Crown or to advance these proceedings.

**Churchman J**