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## Treaty payments total more than \$1 billion

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### The original Treaty of Waitangi text

By Patrick Gower

Treaty of Waitangi payments will now total more than \$1 billion dollars due to the Tuhoe settlement.

That means many more millions will be paid to some tribes that already have settlements.

Tainui signed its Treaty deal with the Queen in 1996 and got a \$170 million payout. Ngai Tahu followed a year later with another \$170 million.

Now Tuhoe have the same amount.

The Government confirmed that will take the total in treaty payments to over \$1 billion, and that actually means Tainui and Ngai Tahu will get paid even more - triggering what's called a "relativity clause".

Treaty Negotiations Minister Chris Finlayson says it is not that interesting.

"Oh it's definitely going to be triggered, but again there's no scoop in that that needs to be released by TV3."

### Treaty payments total more than \$1 billion

Tainui gets 17 percent and Ngai Tahu 16.1 percent of all future payments

For example, every \$100 million paid out to other tribes from now on, Tainui get another \$17 million and Ngai Tahu get \$16.1 million

New Zealand First leader Winston Peters says it was unexpected.

"The answer is - no you would not expect that - but it looks like that is what's going to be triggered now."

Tuhoe's deal has pleased its people, including Tame Iti, who relayed this tweet to family members from jail: "Tuhoe live in Te Urewera, we are part of its history. It makes sense that we now part of its future."

It includes a concept called mana motuhake, which is Tuhoe control of Government services it hopes will lead to independence.

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"If we are going down a path of separate development, separate institutions, separate governance - then all I can see is a long-term disaster - first for Maori, and then for the rest of us," Mr Peters says.

It's a unique arrangement, but tribes who have already settled will not get a chance to re-negotiate.

While Tuhoe gave up on its bottom line of total control of Te Urewera, 3 News has learned it did well financially. A Government spokesperson says the \$170 million payout was about \$50 million more than the last offer on the table.

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Mont how can you sell stolen property back to the victim. Deeer what a dufus!

MONT wrote: 29/10/2012 4:05:18 p.m.
I would take no less than One Trillion Dollars Plus New Zealand would not Join the UN, Nato and the World Health Organization.

ADRIAN wrote: 19/09/2012 6:46:01 a.m.
No wrong again Mark. Nothing remotely close to on record of me stating anything with the word Evaluation in it. Errrrr (buzzer sound) Wrong Again! Doesnt that just bug you? Mark after all the ranting please please bigger please! Seriously consider giving back what our forefathers stole PLEEEAAASSSEEE!. If its land then so be it. You will be bigger person for it. I wish you luck ... Bon voyage!

MARK wrote: 18/09/2012 10:08:37 a.m.
@adrian. So it's alright if Maori hold their hands out for hand outs and want what was here before Europeans arrived? Are you also saying Maoris never stole land from each other, enslaved and killed and ate each other or sold land to settlers then took it back and sold it again or stole land from another tribe then sold it to the crown. Are you also saying Maoris never went to the Chatham islands killed, enslaved and almost wiped out the moriori? Because by the way you are talking you sound like you are saying Maori have never done any wrong and only the white people have done wrong. Answer me this Maori want everything but what have they given in return? And what was that comment you made about Evaluation? Conflict is part of evaluation isn't that what you said?

ADRIAN wrote: 18/09/2012 7:18:35 a.m.
@mark, the compromise you suggest can not be use as a bargaining tool to offset the seriousness of the crimes committed. Rather the list you provided will help cover legal cost to prevent you and your ilk from being incarcerated. So be a responsible proud NZer and face the consequences, return the stolen property (land) back to Maaori or simply Maaori will claim it back. One can only imagine that the penalties will be harsher should that be the case.

MARK wrote: 17/09/2012 3:38:32 p.m.
We will give back nz when we get back all our education, technology, cars, clothing, housing, Maori written language, livestock, money and so on and leave Maori to how they were when the white man came. Fairs fair isn't it.

ADRIAN wrote: 17/09/2012 1:31:34 p.m.
Enough is enough! Our forefathers stole all of Maaori land and we now occupy it. Come on! For Gods sake lets just give it back. All of it! Pronto!

BOYD wrote: 16/09/2012 3:03:02 p.m.
Lets compare it \$1b payout to ALL iwi for ALL wrongdoins committed over the past 150 years vs \$1.7b bailout to a failed finance company? Where were the redneck complainants then? Oh I know, reaping the benefits of John Key's ass kissing. Corporate welfareism is killing this country.

TERRY MELROSE wrote: 13/09/2012 3:00:27 p.m.
this lopup arragement stinks/ all so called settlements should be final/maori should be compensated but not with topups/ this should be repealed forthwith