

# Why National is wrong on the Foreshore and Seabed.



  
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# A KINGDOM DIVIDED



## Unity **NOT** Division

### EVERYONE IS OK BY ME

By way of background, I am not Maori (yep, it's true, and you probably guessed it from my white-looking face), but I have had the benefit of a lot of positive multicultural interaction and I like Maori people. I think everyone should enjoy their culture, as long as it is within the laws of the land. My heritage if you go back far enough is Scottish. I own a kilt which I wear on occasions but am OK with others not wearing one. The sound of the bagpipes stirs my blood at some deep level I have never quite understood, but I can accept that not everyone is so moved. I have lived with Maori on a Marae and also lectured 3 years in the Maori Studies department at AUT - great place and fantastic students. I still reckon I learnt more from them than they did from me. I like people generally and am happy they come in all different shapes, colours, and cultures. If you are a citizen of New Zealand then this is your country and whether you immigrated on the first Waka or came in on the latest plane should make no difference.

### THE PRINCIPLE OF UNITY

The Treaty of Waitangi was a great place to start a nation: tribes coming together and agreeing to come under a single government (the Crown) with everyone having equal rights and duties. A treaty protecting Maori property, fisheries, and treasures was revolutionary

at the time. We should remember the statement made by Captain Hobson as each Chief signed the Treaty - 'He iwi tahi tatou' - 'We are now one people'. If we are to succeed and prosper as a nation we must do so as one people (of many cultures) working together, because a kingdom divided will not stand.

**National is wrong in agreeing to maintain separate Maori seats.**

There should be one electoral roll for all New Zealanders as recommended by the Royal Commission that looked into our voting system. To divide us on the basis of race will lead to separatism, and partisan representation. It will lead to anger, resentments, and failure.

**National is wrong to allow selected Iwi to gain ownership of the Foreshore and Seabed (and in fact funding them to make claims).**

Since the Treaty was signed it has been accepted that the foreshore and seabed was vested in the crown on behalf of all New Zealanders. This changed when National passed the 2011 act renouncing crown ownership. We disagree and say that the foreshore and seabed is an asset that we should own together.

**I ask you to vote this election for unity; to move past the sort of politics that divides us based on race, and to vote for a future that includes all New Zealanders having equal rights and responsibilities under the law.**



# WILL NOT STAND

## SAY NO to backroom deals.

National has now opened the door for Iwi to negotiate directly with Government and bypass any court process. The backroom is open to do deals! As the government of our country moves away from fair and open process it is up to you, the voter, to say "NO".

You can change the way this country is going by changing your vote. This election, party vote Conservative to put you, the people, back in charge of this country.

### THIS IS DODGY

- National arranging to sign the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in secret and without any mandate from the people. This declaration conflicts with the Treaty of Waitangi and gives special rights to indigenous peoples.
- John Key saying he would not proceed with changes to the foreshore and seabed legislation without public support. An overwhelming number of submissions opposed his move but he proceeded anyway.
- National passing key legislation under urgency (this avoids proper debate and process).
- The transfer of publically owned land to selected Iwi interests. For example: the Auckland volcanic cones and reserves (like Mt Eden and One Tree Hill) that we all own are being taken off us and given to selected Iwi.

## Vote to save our biggest asset



The foreshore and seabed is the single biggest public asset that New Zealanders own. The area is about 1/3 of New Zealand's total land area and it includes the airspace, the sea, and most of the minerals below. It is worth more than can be easily quantified. Just the iron sands alone are worth \$1 trillion.

The Conservative Party has a clear position on this asset. It should not be privatized to any interest.

**This asset should remain owned by the Crown for and on behalf of all New Zealanders.**

The move by National to open up ownership to selective Iwi interests reflects their similar thinking on other key strategic assets (such as Kiwibank and power companies) which they are also willing to sell.

**This election you can use your vote to stop this. You can vote Conservative.**



# Your vote counts.

When you vote on Election Day (26th November 2011) make sure that your vote will be a vote for unity and not division. It is important to remember that it is the party vote that determines the balance of who makes decisions for the country.

## We are asking you to cast your party vote for the Conservative Party.

Every vote cast for the Conservative Party will count, because Colin Craig is able to win a seat. Many voters wasted their vote last election voting

New Zealand First who didn't win a seat. This year it looks like ACT will fail to win a seat as well. If you were going to vote for these parties, we encourage you to change your vote to the Conservative Party to make sure that it will count.

Your vote is very important for us, and this country needs you to make the effort to vote again this election, so we can get back to values that work.

## Please make your vote count, and party vote Conservative this election.

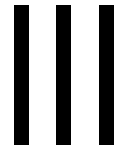


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### Different from National

because we support the following :

- Crown ownership of Foreshore and Seabed.
- Keep our assets.
- Repeal the Emissions Trading Scheme.
- Binding referenda.
- Remove the ban on light smacking.
- Get prisoners working.
- Alcohol reform - including a return to a purchasing age of 21.