

## Appendix A

### Excerpts from Cabinet Paper dated 29 October 2024 - Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi Bill: Approval for Introduction

#### *The principles of the Treaty of Waitangi*

- 39 The Ministry of Justice advise that the policy is not consistent with the Treaty/te Tiriti or the existing principles. The Waitangi Tribunal has also published similar findings from WAI 3300 Proposed Treaty Principles Bill Urgent Inquiry: Ngā Matāpono/The Principles.

#### *Legislation Guidelines*

- 42 The policy proposals (now reflected in the Bill) raises concerns around guideline 5.5 – consultation must target Māori whose interests are particularly affected.
- 43 Cabinet considered the guidelines that these proposed amendments impact in the September policy approval paper, and made its decisions accordingly.
- 44 I am satisfied that the Bill strikes an appropriate balancing of the relevant Treaty interests with the interests of all New Zealanders. Cabinet has also agreed to a six month select committee process [CAB-24-MIN-0348 refers]. This will provide ample opportunity for the public to express views on how the Bill will affect rights and interests.