Harry Burkhardt
Chair
Ngāti Kuri Trust Board/ Te Manawa o Ngāti Kuri

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E te rangatira, tēnā koe,

Kermadec Ocean Sanctuary Bill

My warm regards to you and members of your Trust Board.

We have heard the clear message that iwi have ongoing concerns about establishing a sanctuary in the Kermadec/Rangitāhua area. I am writing to advise you that the Government intends to remove the Kermadec Ocean Sanctuary Bill from the Order Paper, which means the Bill will no longer be considered by Parliament.

I want to acknowledge the work that you and Ngāti Kuri have undertaken over the years in relation to the potential to create a sanctuary.

Next year my colleagues and I will be considering potential next steps. [I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you/ to hear your views].

Nāku noa, nā

Hon Penny Simmonds
Minister for the Environment

Cc: Hon Shane Jones, Minister for Oceans and Fisheries
Hon Tama Potaka, Minister of Conservation, Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti