



Petition 2008/6 of Edwina Hughes

Report of the Foreign Affairs, Defence
and Trade Committee

The Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee has considered Petition 2008/6 of Edwina Hughes, requesting

that the House of Representatives note that 1,314 people have signed a petition calling on the Government to support the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and to announce this in the General Assembly at the earliest possible opportunity; and that the House address this petition as a matter of urgency and urge the Government to act on this request.

We received submissions from the petitioner and from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

We note that the New Zealand Government expressed its support for the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples on 19 April 2010, and we have no further matters to bring to the attention of the House.

John Hayes
Chairperson