



The Repatriation Movement in Aotearoa New Zealand



Abstract

This presentation will look at the development of the fast growing repatriation Movement in Aotearoa New Zealand. A particular emphasis will be placed on the return of Māori and Moriori human remains from museum and university collections from within both New Zealand and international contexts. This paper will also look at the networks created to assist repatriation and newly established policies regarding repatriation in Aotearoa.

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Details

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