Helen Clark, former New Zealand prime minister (centre), and the Māori king, Te Arikinui King Tūheitia (front left), arrive at United Nations headquarters in New York in April 2009. A pōwhiri (welcoming ceremony) was held to welcome Clark as the new administrator of the United Nations Development Programme. The role is the third-most powerful position at the UN, and is a political appointment. The group accompanying Clark also included Ngāti Tūwharetoa chief Tumu Te Heuheu and former Minister of Māori Affairs Parekura Horomia (not pictured).

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