

The President of the Italian Republic

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To the Governor-General of New Zealand
H.E. Sir Jerry Mateparae
WELLINGTON

On the occasion of New Zealand National Day, I am most pleased to convey, on behalf of the Italian people and personally, the very best wishes for the prosperity and well-being of the New Zealand people.

Our two countries are united by traditional ties of friendship that are being strengthened also through an ever closer collaboration in a multilateral framework.

I am sure that the ties between New Zealand and Italy will continue to be further developed and strengthened, both on a bilateral level and in the broader context of the dialogue with the European Union.

In this spirit, I convey my best wishes for your personal well-being and of the New Zealand people.

Giorgio Napolitano