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Notes

1. 'Higher education' is used differently across countries. In this article it is used to refer primarily to universities, though some policy developments may include, for example, further education in England or the whole tertiary (post-school) sector in New Zealand.
2. The Treaty of Waitangi was signed by Māori and the British Crown in 1840. It is the founding
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