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## Announcement of Website: "The Treaty of Waitangi, 1840: A Levenshtein edit distance analysis of English language variants"

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## **Comments**

Government Documents, Interlibrary Loan, and the Center for Digital Research in the Humanities at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Libraries are pleased to announce the release of a World Wide Web site, entitled “The *Treaty of Waitangi, 1840*: A Levenshtein edit distance analysis of English language variants.”

We welcome your comments, as well as your error reports. The URL for this resource is <http://treatiesportal.unl.edu/waitangi1840/>.

## **Abstract**

The British, in their worldwide program of colonization, consummated treaties with the indigenous peoples of North America, Africa, Asia, and the Far East and Pacific in a process to administer these acquisitions. The *Treaty of Waitangi, 1840* is the primary document illustrating this behavior in New Zealand but, over time, variants of this important instrument have appeared. A text analysis of forty-three of these renditions was performed by applying Levenshtein’s edit distance algorithm.

Table I and Table II (Excel spreadsheets) are attached (below).