

The special needs of the Maori people particularly in cultural matters, housing, and their economic development, will continue to be met—with emphasis on Te Kohanga Reo and Maatua Whangai programmes under the overall policy of Tu Tangata. Last year a Maori Affairs Bill was introduced based on the New Zealand Maori Council's Kaupapa. It is to be enacted this year.

An Immigration Bill was introduced last year after an examination of the framework necessary to implement immigration policies. In this you will be asked to consider an amendment enabling immigration policy to be administered fairly and without discrimination. A correct balance will be struck between effective legal and administrative machinery in Government and the protection of individual human rights and civil liberties.

Legislation will be introduced to update the law on commissions of inquiry and the extradition of alleged offenders. Bills will be presented to revise and codify the law relating to bail and to implement recommendations of the Public and Administrative Law Reform Committee on statutory powers of entry to private premises.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS, it is intended to introduce a Rating Bill to consolidate and update the present rating legislation, and in conjunction with this the Valuation of Land Act will be amended.

Among legislation the Government will promote this session will be a Bill to make better provision for the management and conservation of public archives and records and to take account of changes deriving from the Official Information Act 1982.

The Broadcasting Act 1976 will be amended to provide for the inception of third channel regional television.

This year a cultural highlight of New Zealand's activities overseas will be the Maori Art Exhibition in the United States of America.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS, arms control and disarmament are matters of great concern to all New Zealanders. The Government will work actively for progress on these issues in international forums and in bilateral contacts.

The Government will be hosting the annual Council of the ANZUS Treaty partners this year. Our relationships with Australia and the United States are of central significance to our own security and welfare.

The 1983 Defence Review confirmed the Government's commitment to maintain effective and efficient armed forces at realistic levels to meet our nation's security requirements.

Throughout the coming year the proposals outlined in the Review will be initiated. This will involve some structural change to the armed