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NZ tremor caused tsunami warning

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Update: 10.39am A TSUNAMI warning that was issued at around 6.30 last night by the Mineral Resources Department following an earthquake in New Zealand, was cancelled about three hours later.

The department issued the cancellation after monitoring the situation.

The west of the South Island of New Zealand was shaken by an earthquake measuring 7.6 on the richter scale, after which a tsunami warning was put in place in New Zealand, Australia and Fiji.

The department said that number of tremors and earthquakes in the pacific region in the past several weeks are stress releases, which is good.

It said having theses stress releases are better than a lull in long period which sometimes can be massive and very destructive.

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