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Cabinet

Minute of Decision

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2016 Budget Technical Financial Recommendations: Vote Internal Affairs

On 11 April 2016, Cabinet:

- 1 **approved** the Budget initiatives for the above Vote for inclusion in the 2016 Budget package, as listed in the summary below and detailed in the attached initiative documents;

Summary of initiatives included in the attached initiative documents:

Operating Initiatives (Impact on Operating Balance)

Initiative ID	Initiative Name	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
		2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20 & Outyears
9422	Capitalisation of Non-Departmental Digital Intangible Assets	-	(0.810)	(0.826)	(0.843)	(0.860)
Total Operating		-	(0.810)	(0.826)	(0.843)	(0.860)

Capital Initiatives (Impact on Debt)

Initiative ID	Initiative Name	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
		2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20 & Outyears
9423	Archives New Zealand: Christchurch Regional Office Relocation	(11.740)	11.740	-	-	-
9422	Capitalisation of Non-Departmental Digital Intangible Assets	-	0.810	0.826	0.843	0.860
Total Capital		(11.740)	12.550	0.826	0.843	0.860

- 2 **agreed** to establish new appropriations where required to implement these initiatives, as described in the attached initiative documents;
- 3 **approved** changes to appropriations and the capital injections to the administering department to implement the initiatives, as set out in the attached initiative documents;
- 4 **agreed** that the proposed change to departmental capital injections for 2015/16 above be included in the 2015/16 Supplementary Estimates;
- 5 **authorised** the Minister of Finance and the appropriation Minister to approve jointly any technical adjustments to baselines necessary to remove any errors or inconsistencies identified while finalising the 2015/16 Supplementary Estimates, the 2016/17 Estimates and the fiscal forecasts; and
- 6 **noted** that all communications relating to the 2016 Budget are co-ordinated by a Budget communications committee, and that any requests for early announcement will need to have both the written approval of the Minister of Finance and sign-off from the Prime Minister's office.

Michael Webster
Secretary of the Cabinet

Vote: Internal Affairs

Title: Archives New Zealand: Christchurch Regional Office Relocation

Description: A capital transfer from 2015/16 to 2016/17 due to delays associated with the construction of the new Archives New Zealand building in Christchurch.

Appropriation Changes

	Sm - increase/(decrease)				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Impact	(11.740)	11.740	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	(11.740)	11.740	-	-	-

	Sm - increase/(decrease)				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20 & Outyears
Capital Injections:					
Department of Internal Affairs: Capital Injection	(11.740)	11.740	-	-	-
Total Capital	(11.740)	11.740	-	-	-

Initiative No: 9422

Vote: Internal Affairs

Title: Capitalisation of Non-Departmental Digital Intangible Assets

Description: Recognising non-departmental digital intangible assets as part of the current non-departmental capital expenditure appropriation, Heritage Collections – Annual. Funded through a fiscally neutral operating to capital swap from the Civic Information Services multi-category appropriation (Managing and Accessing Knowledge Information category).

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	-	(0.810)	(0.826)	(0.843)	(0.860)
Debt Impact	-	0.810	0.826	0.843	0.860
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20 & Outyears
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure:					
Heritage Collections – Annual	-	0.810	0.826	0.843	0.860
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure					
Civic Information Services MCA					
Departmental Output Expenses:					
Managing and Accessing Knowledge Information (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.810)	(0.826)	(0.843)	(0.860)
Total Operating	-	(0.810)	(0.826)	(0.843)	(0.860)
Total Capital	-	0.810	0.826	0.843	0.860

Initiative No: 9421

Vote: Internal Affairs

Title: Maintenance of Official Residences

Description: This initiative establishes the creation of a new non-departmental appropriation, Official Residences – Maintenance Costs. The appropriation would enable the maintenance costs associated with official residences to be correctly captured as non-departmental expenditure. This would be funded through a fiscally neutral adjustment from the Services Supporting the Executive multi-category appropriation (Support Services to Members of the Executive category).

New Appropriation Approval

Name	Period	Type	Category Name	Scope
Official Residences - Maintenance Costs	Annual	Non-Departmental Other Expenses	N/A	This appropriation is limited to costs for maintaining official residences owned by the Crown.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20 & Outyears
Non-Departmental Other Expenses:					
Official Residences - Maintenance Costs	-	0.376	0.376	0.376	0.376
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure					
Services Supporting the Executive MCA					
Departmental Output Expenses:					
Support Services to Members of the Executive (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.376)	(0.376)	(0.376)	(0.376)
Total Operating	-	-	-	-	-