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Hi all,

Here's the latest version of the Cab paper. Ministers decided that the paper will be from Hons English and Smith.

We will be lodging it tomorrow for Cabinet next week. If you have any further comments, please send them through by early tomorrow morning.

Thanks,

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Hi all,

Hon English has asked for a conference call today to discuss this with Ministers Smith, Joyce, Bridges and Lotu-liga.

We're setting that up now, and I'll let you know when the time is confirmed.

In the meantime, could you please pass the draft paper on to your Ministers for them to read before that discussion, if possible?

Thanks,

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Hi all,

Here's the draft Cabinet paper. Welcome any feedback.

Thanks,

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[SEEMAIL][SENSITIVE]

Hi Guys

Please find attached a draft of the Cabinet paper on the infrastructure acceleration fund. There are still bits that are being worked on.

We are coming over at 8am to discuss with the Minister.

Thanks

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