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Hon Dr Pita Sharples Hon Tariana Turia Parliament Buildings WELLINGTON

Dear Pita, Tariana,

Thank you for your submission of Budget initiatives for consideration as part of Budget 2013. This letter updates you on the recommendations that Budget Ministers will make to Cabinet on the final Budget 2013 package.

Hon Tariana Turia Budget initiatives

As we have discussed, the following Budget initiatives are supported at the levels of funding outlined in the table below:

\$millions		Operating					
ID	Initiative Name	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	
7745	Kainga Whenua – Infrastructure	-	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	
7603	Think Differently Campaign	-	3.000	3.000	-	-	
7605	Enabling Good Lives work programme	0.050	0.800	0.900	0.900	-	
7606	Promoting lifetime design in housing	-	0.500	0.500	0.500	-	
7628	Monitoring by disabled people of their rights	-	0.275	0.275	0.275	0.275	
7892	Pacific Providers Primary Health Services	-	1.125	1.125	1.125	1.125	
7709	Maori and Pasifika Trades Training	-	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	

Please note the following initiatives are not supported:

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Hon Dr Pita Sharples Budget initiatives

As we have discussed, the following Budget initiatives are supported at the levels of funding outlined in the table below:

\$millions		Operating					
ID	Initiative Name	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	
7719	Cadetships	1	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
7751	Te Reo R&D Fund (for Research Reo Quality)	-	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	

You may also be interested to note that the following initiatives in Vote Education have been supported by Budget Ministers:

\$millions			Operating					
ID	Initiative Name	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17		
7825	Retention Programme for Maori Medium	-	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000		
7579	Ngarimu VC and 28 th (Maori) Battalion Memorial Scholarship Fund	-	0.250	-	-	-		

In regards to the Maori Teacher Training Scholarships, this will be provided for via existing funding for Teach NZ Scholarships, which has been retained in areas that are hard to staff (Maori Medium, Te Reo Maori). In addition, some resource has been reprioritised to focus on Maori and Pacific Teacher Trainees to improve the diversity of the workforce. So no new spending has been set aside for this in Budget 2013.

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Please note the following initiatives are not supported:

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Poverty Committee Budget initiatives

As we have discussed, the following Budget initiatives are supported at the levels of funding outlined in the table below:

\$millions			Operating					
ID	Initiative Name	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17		
7680	Warm Up New Zealand	-	35.000	35.000	30.000			
7895	Community Hubs/Marae CBD (in a tagged contingency)	-	1.200	1	1	-		
NA	Micro-financing (funded from existing baselines)	-	0.050	1	-	-		

Budget Ministers have also agreed to progress policy work associated with the WoF for Homes initiative.

Please note the following initiatives are not supported:

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Lastly, please note that final decisions on all Budget initiatives will be made by Cabinet on 15 April 2013.

Yours sincerely

Hon Bill English

Minister of Finance