

# The Treasury

## Budget 2014 Information Release

### Release Document

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## Minute of Decision

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### Budget 2014 Package: Vote Prime Minister and Cabinet

On 14 April 2014, Cabinet:

- 1 **approved** the Budget initiatives for the above Vote for inclusion in the 2014 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)				
		2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18 & Outyears
8337	Emergency Management Functions: Fiscally Neutral Transfer from Vote Internal Affairs to Vote Prime Minister and Cabinet	4.588	-	-	-	-
8030	Emergency Management Functions: Operating Costs Associated With Increased Capital	-	0.334	0.334	0.334	0.334
8034	Public Alerting Project Business Case Development	-	0.250	-	-	-
<b>Total Operating</b>		<b>4.588</b>	<b>0.584</b>	<b>0.334</b>	<b>0.334</b>	<b>0.334</b>

- 2 **approved** the changes to appropriations to implement the initiatives, as set out in the attached initiative documents;
- 3 **agreed** that the changes to appropriations for 2013/14 above be included in the 2013/14 Supplementary Estimates and that, in the interim, the increases be met from Imprest Supply;
- 4 **authorised** the Minister of Finance and the Vote Minister to approve jointly any technical adjustments to baselines necessary to remove any errors or inconsistencies identified while finalising the 2013/14 Supplementary Estimates, the 2014/15 Estimates and the fiscal forecasts;
- 5 **noted** that all communications relating to the 2014 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;

[7]

Secretary of the Cabinet

Reference: CAB (14) 174

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**Vote:** Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Title:** Emergency Management Functions: Fiscally Neutral Transfer from Vote Internal Affairs to Vote Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Description:** Provides for the balance of 2013/14 funding being transferred from Vote Internal Affairs to Vote Prime Minister and Cabinet, following the decision to shift Emergency Management functions from the Department of Internal Affairs to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

### Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	4.588	-	-	-	-
No Impact	0.091	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.679</b>	-	-	-	-

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18 & Outyears
<b>Departmental Output Expenses:</b>					
Emergency Management (MCOA)					
Community Information and Advisory Services (funded by revenue Crown)	0.174	-	-	-	-
Community Information and Advisory Services (funded by revenue Dept)	0.009	-	-	-	-
Emergency Sector Support and Development (funded by revenue Crown)	0.655	-	-	-	-
Emergency Sector Support and Development (funded by revenue Dept)	0.048	-	-	-	-
Management of National Emergency Management Readiness, Response and Recovery (funded by revenue Crown)	0.486	-	-	-	-
Management of National Emergency Management Readiness, Response and Recovery (funded by revenue Dept)	0.034	-	-	-	-
Policy Advice and Ministerial Servicing - Emergency Management (funded by revenue Crown)	0.151	-	-	-	-
<b>Non-Departmental Other Expenses:</b>					
Emergency Expenses	2.122	-	-	-	-
Emergency Management Preparedness Grants	0.801	-	-	-	-
February 2011 Christchurch Earthquake National Controller Costs	0.199	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>4.679</b>	-	-	-	-

## Initiative No: 8030

**Vote:** Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Title:** Emergency Management Functions: Operating Costs Associated With Increased Capital

**Description:** Provides for increased Vote Prime Minister and Cabinet operating requirements (depreciation and capital charge) following the decision to shift Emergency Management functions from the Department of Internal Affairs to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

### Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	-	0.334	0.334	0.334	0.334
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>0.334</b>	<b>0.334</b>	<b>0.334</b>	<b>0.334</b>

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18 & Outyears
<b>Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure</b>					
Emergency Management					
<b>Departmental Output Expense:</b>					
Management of Civil Defence Emergencies (funded by revenue Crown)	-	0.334	0.334	0.334	0.334
<b>Total Operating</b>	-	<b>0.334</b>	<b>0.334</b>	<b>0.334</b>	<b>0.334</b>

**Vote:** Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Title:** Public Alerting Project Business Case Development

**Description:** Provides for the development of a business case to inform a future Cabinet decision around potential introduction of public alerting technology through cellular broadcasting.

### Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	-	0.250	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>0.250</b>	-	-	-

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18 & Outyears
<b>Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure</b>					
Emergency Management					
<b>Departmental Output Expense:</b>					
Community Awareness and Readiness (funded by revenue Crown)	-	0.250	-	-	-
<b>Total Operating</b>	-	<b>0.250</b>	-	-	-