



Cabinet

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Minute of Decision

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2008 Budget Package: Vote Food Safety

On 14 April 2008, Cabinet:

1. **approved** the Budget initiatives for the above Vote for inclusion in the 2008 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)				
		2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
4755	NZFSA Contractual and Treaty Obligations	-	0.344	0.344	0.344	0.344
4756	GIF: Interagency Resource Needs for Trade Agreements	-	0.500	-	-	-
5301	Mid-cycle New Zealand Total Diet Survey	-	0.400	0.300	-	-
Total Operating		-	1.244	0.644	0.344	0.344

Capital Initiatives (Impact on Debt)

Initiative ID	Initiative Name	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
		2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Total Capital		-	-	-	-	-

2. **agreed** to establish new appropriations where required to implement these initiatives, as described in the attached initiative documents;
3. **approved** the changes to appropriations and/or projected balances of net assets of the administering department (where applicable) to implement the initiatives, as set out in the attached initiative documents;
4. **agreed** that the proposed changes to appropriations and/or projected balances of net assets for 2007/08 above be included in the 2007/08 Supplementary Estimates and that, in the interim, the increases be met from Imprest Supply;
5. **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 2007/08 Supplementary Estimates, the 2008/09 Estimates and the fiscal forecasts;

6. **noted** that all communications relating to the 2008 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.

Secretary of the Cabinet

Reference: 2008 Budget package tabled
by the Minister of Finance

Distribution:

Prime Minister

Chief Executive, DPMC

Director PAG, DPMC

Minister of Finance

Secretary to the Treasury

Hon Jim Anderton

Associate Minister of Finance (Hon Trevor Mallard)

Minister for Food Safety

Chief Executive, New Zealand Food Safety Authority

Controller and Auditor-General

Vote: Food Safety

Title: NZFSA Contractual and Treaty Obligations

Description: New Zealand Food Safety Authority (NZFSA) is faced with escalating costs for a number of treaty and international obligations.

Theme: Economic Transformation

Theme Objective: Non-specific theme objective

Performance Information

Performance Text

Food Standards Australia New Zealand contractual relationship; Public Health Unit contract delivery and Environmental Science and Research Ltd delivery of science contracts.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	-	0.344	0.344	0.344	0.344
Debt Impact	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	0.344	0.344	0.344	0.344

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses (General):					
Monitoring and Assurance (funded by Revenue Crown)	-	0.126	0.126	0.126	0.126
Standards Setting (funded by Revenue Crown)	-	0.141	0.141	0.141	0.141
Other Expenses to be Incurred by the Crown:					
New Zealand Australia Joint Food Standards Setting Treaty	-	0.077	0.077	0.077	0.077
Total Operating	-	0.344	0.344	0.344	0.344
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-

Initiative No: 4756

Vote: Food Safety**Title:** Growth and Innovation Fund: Interagency Resource Needs for Trade Agreements**Description:** New Zealand Food Safety Authority negotiates market access requirements and provides official assurances to New Zealand's trading partners for our food exports. This initiative will enable an increasing focus on Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) with China and ASEAN countries.**Theme:** Economic Transformation**Theme Objective:** Globally competitive firms:
business internationalisation**Performance Information****Performance Text**

Market Access maintained and enhanced. Satisfaction of Ministers, stakeholders, other government departments and trading partners in the successful implementation of FTA obligations with China and ASEAN countries.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	-	0.500	-	-	-
Debt Impact	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	0.500	-	-	-

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses (General):					
Standards Setting (funded by Revenue Crown)	-	0.500	-	-	-
Total Operating	-	0.500	-	-	-
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-

Vote: Food Safety

Title: Mid-cycle New Zealand Total Diet Survey

Description: To carry out more intensive, co-ordinated food sample analysis during the intervening years between the five yearly New Zealand Total Diet Analysis in addition to a related survey that would focus on a sub-category of foods beyond the usual New Zealand Total Diet Survey sample.

Theme: Families - Young and Old

Theme Objective: Confidence and supply agreements

Performance Information

Performance Text

More intensive, co-ordinated food sample analysis during the intervening years between the five yearly New Zealand Total Diet Analysis and a related survey that would focus on a sub-category of foods beyond the usual New Zealand Total Diet Survey sample.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	-	0.400	0.300	-	-
Debt Impact	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	0.400	0.300	-	-

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses (General):					
Standards Setting (funded by Revenue Crown)	-	0.400	0.300	-	-
Total Operating	-	0.400	0.300	-	-
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-