



Cabinet

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Minute of Decision

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2008 Budget Package: Vote Immigration

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
4645	Inter-Agency Resource Needs for Trade Agreements	-	1.270	-	-	-
5270	Stabilise Immigration Application Management System (AMS)	-	0.150	-	-	-
Total Operating		-	1.420	-	-	-

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;

[information deleted in order to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by ministers and officials]

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 of Immigration
Secretary of Labour (Immigration)
Controller and Auditor-General

Vote: Immigration

Title: Inter-Agency Resource Needs for Trade Agreements

Description: To maintain expert immigration-related support for the ongoing negotiation of Trade Agreements; and to manage the outcomes of the agreement with China through implementing systems changes, and increasing verification and compliance activity.

Theme: Economic Transformation

Theme Objective: Globally competitive firms:
business internationalisation

Performance Information

Performance Text

This bid will fund the personnel required to provide expert immigration-related support to Free Trade negotiations, and will fund the implementation of systems changes and increased verification and compliance activity arising from settled agreements.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	-	1.270	-	-	-
Debt Impact	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	1.270	-	-	-

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses (General): Services to Position New Zealand as an International Citizen with Immigration-Related Interests and Obligations (funded by Revenue Crown)	-	1.270	-	-	-
Total Operating	-	1.270	-	-	-
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-

Initiative No: 5270

Vote: Immigration

Title: Stabilise Immigration Application Management System (AMS)

Description: For the development of a project plan to stabilise the Immigration Application Management System (AMS).

Theme: Economic Transformation

Theme Objective: World class infrastructure: other action

Performance Information

Performance Text

The \$150,000 is for the development of the project plan which will enable the Immigration AMS to have greater stability through to the time whereby the system can be replaced with a modern system which meets business requirements. The success of the implementation of this plan will be measured by a reduction in number and impact of critical outages - that is, avoiding service delivery failure.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	-	0.150	-	-	-
Debt Impact	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	0.150	-	-	-

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses (General): Services to Increase the Capacity of New Zealand Through Immigration (funded by Revenue Crown)	-	0.150	-	-	-
Total Operating	-	0.150	-	-	-
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-