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Minute of Decision

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2008 Budget Package: Vote Treaty Negotiations

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
4990	Increased Negotiation Activity	-	0.911	1.467	1.467	1.467
Total Operating		-	0.911	1.467	1.467	1.467

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

Director, Office of Treaty Settlements

Hon Jim Anderton

Associate Minister of Finance (Hon Trevor Mallard)

Controller and Auditor-General

Initiative No: 4990**Vote:** Treaty Negotiations**Title:** Increased Negotiation Activity**Description:** To enable the Office of Treaty Settlements to respond to the increases in negotiation activity that will be required to support a government policy timetable of settling all historical Treaty claims by the year 2020.**Theme:** National Identity**Theme Objective:** Reconciliation**Performance Information****Performance Text**

One additional negotiation team will be appointed to carry out two additional negotiations in the Minister's next priority regions of Tuhoe and the Bay of Plenty.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	-	0.911	1.467	1.467	1.467
Debt Impact	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	0.911	1.467	1.467	1.467

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12& Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses (General):					
Policy Advice - Treaty Negotiations (funded by Revenue Crown)	-	0.911	1.467	1.467	1.467
Total Operating	-	0.911	1.467	1.467	1.467
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-