

# The Treasury

## Budget 2013 Information Release

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# Cabinet

CAB Min (13) 11/2

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## Minute of Decision

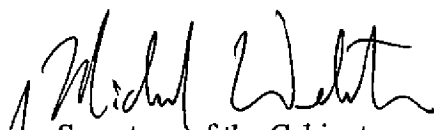
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### Budget 2013: Technical Financial Recommendations

Portfolio: Finance

On 8 April 2013, Cabinet:

- 1 **agreed** to the technical budget initiatives for Budget 2013 as set out in the financial recommendations attached to the paper under CAB (13) 178;
- 2 **authorised** the Minister of Finance and relevant Vote Ministers to approve changes to technical initiatives and appropriations where this proves necessary to finalise the Budget 2013 package;
- 3 **noted** that all communications relating to Budget 2013 are coordinated 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;
- 4 **agreed** that until the Appropriation (2013/14) Estimate Bill is enacted, expenses or capital expenditure against appropriations set out in the 2013/14 Estimates and being sought in that Bill may be met from Imprest Supply.

  
for Secretary of the Cabinet

Reference: CAB (13) 178

**Secretary's note:** *Separate minutes have been issued for the technical budget initiatives for Budget 2013. See CAB Min (13) 11/2(1-24).*

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