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Minute of Decision

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Budget 2011: Vote Veterans' Affairs – Defence Force

On 11 April 2011, Cabinet:

- 1 **approved** the Budget initiatives for the above Vote for inclusion in the 2011 Budget package, as 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)				
		2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15 & Outyears
7030	Maintaining the Current Level of Service to Veterans Through Case Management	-	-	-	-	-
7050	Support to the Three Veterans Homes	-	-	-	-	-
Total Operating		-	-	-	-	-

- 2 **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;
- 3 **agreed** that the changes to appropriations and/or projected balances of net assets for 2010/11 above be included in the 2010/11 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 2010/11 Supplementary Estimates, the 2011/12 Estimates and the fiscal forecasts;

- 5 **note** that all communications relating to the 2011 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: CAB (11) 187; CAB (11) 190

Initiative No: 7030

Vote: Veterans' Affairs - Defence Force

Title: Maintaining the Current Level of Service to Veterans Through Case Management

Description: This initiative reprioritises funding to maintain the current level of service to veterans that are case managed by Veterans' Affairs New Zealand.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15 & Outyears
Non-Departmental Output Expenses:					
Support for Veterans and Their Families	0.100	-	-	-	-
Non-Departmental Other Expenses:					
Ex-Gratia Payments and Comprehensive Medical Assessments for Vietnam Veterans	(0.100)	-	-	-	-
Total Operating	-	-	-	-	-
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-

Initiative No: 7050

Vote: Veterans' Affairs - Defence Force

Title: Support to the Three Veterans Homes

Description: This initiative provides ongoing financial support for the three Veterans' Homes, Ranfurly (Auckland), Rannerdale (Christchurch), and Montecillo (Dunedin).

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15 & Outyears
Non-Departmental Output Expenses:					
Support for Veterans and Their Families	0.600	-	-	-	-
Non-Departmental Other Expenses:					
Ex-Gratia Payments and Comprehensive Medical Assessments for Vietnam Veterans	(0.600)	-	-	-	-
Total Operating	-	-	-	-	-
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-