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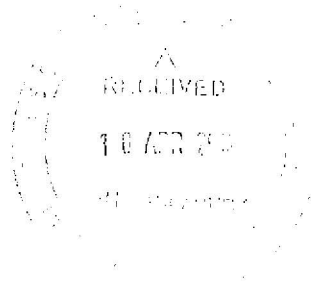
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Cabinet

Minute of Decision



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Budget 2014: Vote Tertiary Education Technical Initiatives

On 7 April 2014, Cabinet:

- 1 **approved** the Budget initiatives for the above Vote for inclusion in the 2014 Budget package, as listed in the summary below and detailed in the attached initiative documents;

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- 2 **approved** the changes to appropriations as set out in the attached initiative documents;
- 3 **approved** the additional recommendations to give effect to the initiatives, as set out in the attached initiative documents;
- 4 **agreed** that the changes to appropriations and/or projected balances of net assets for 2013/14 above be included in the 2013/14 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 2013/14 Supplementary Estimates, the 2014/15 Estimates and the fiscal forecasts;
- 6 **authorised** the chief executives of departments that monitor Crown entities directly affected by decisions in this minute to inform the chair and/or chief executive of a Crown entity, on a budget-in-confidence-until-budget-day basis, of decisions that directly affect that Crown entity for the purpose of planning and preparation of their Statement of Intent;

- 7 **noted** that all communications relating to the 2014 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.

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Initiative No: 8354

Vote: Tertiary Education**Title:** Establishment of the Emergency Management Volunteer Training Pool**Description:** Fiscally neutral transfers required for the establishment of the emergency management volunteer training ring-fenced pool within the Community Education Appropriation.**Appropriation Changes**

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18 & Outyears
Non-Departmental Output Expenses:					
Community Education	-	1.115	2.229	2.229	2.229
Tertiary Education: Student Achievement Component	-	(0.847)	(1.693)	(1.693)	(1.693)
Training for Designated Groups	-	(0.268)	(0.536)	(0.536)	(0.536)
Total Operating	-	-	-	-	-
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-

Initiative No: 8353

Vote: Tertiary Education

Title: Moving Apprenticeship Reboot Funding into Correct Appropriations

Description: This initiative moves funding for employers under the Apprenticeship Reboot from Non-Departmental Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses Apprenticeships Reboot into Non-Departmental Output Expense Training for Designated Groups - impact on Apprenticeship Reboot.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18 & Outyears
Non-Departmental Output Expense:					
Training for Designated Groups	9.000	-	-	-	-
Benefits or Related Expense:					
Apprenticeships Reboot	(9.000)	-	-	-	-
Total Operating	-	-	-	-	-
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-

Vote: Tertiary Education

Title: Technical Changes to Tertiary Education Appropriations

Description: Proposed changes to the title and scope of departmental output expense appropriations in Vote Tertiary Education.

Additional recommendations

- 9 **agreed** to change the title of departmental output expense Strategic Leadership in the Tertiary System to 'Stewardship of the Tertiary System';
- 10 **agreed** that the scope of this appropriation be "This appropriation is limited to services (other than policy advice) provided by the Ministry of Education in its role as steward of the tertiary education system. It includes services to support Ministers in discharging their portfolio responsibilities (other than policy decision-making)".