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From: Sebastian Doelle [39]
Sent: Tuesday, 20 February 2018 6:05 PM
To: Carolyn Palmer [TSY]; Tamsin Royson
Cc: Bevan Searancke [TSY]
Subject: RE: Primary care paper

Hi Carolyn,
Thank you. The PS for Health has just informed me that the primary care paper will now be lodged for CBC on 1st March.

Regards,
Sebastian

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From: Carolyn Palmer [TSY] [39]
Sent: Tuesday, 20 February 2018 5:33 PM
To: Sebastian Doelle [39] Tamsin Royson [39]
Cc: Bevan Searancke [TSY] [39]
Subject: RE: Primary care paper

Hi Sebastian and Tamsin

[34] and that the MOF asked for phasing options to be considered following the health bilateral, I do think delaying the Cabinet paper until MOF is back is preferable. Therefore, I think that risks with the current timing should be highlighted to the Minister.

Carolyn

Carolyn Palmer | Manager – Health | **The Treasury**
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From: Bevan Searancke [TSY]
Sent: Tuesday, 20 February 2018 3:49 p.m.
To: Sebastian Doelle [39]
Cc: Tamsin Royson [39] Carolyn Palmer [TSY] [39]
Subject: RE: Primary care paper

Thank you for confirming that Sebastian.

In earlier discussions we had with the Ministry our expectation was that the paper would go to Cabinet when the Minister of Finance was back. [34]
it is our view that the paper should wait until MoF is back.

Let me check with Carolyn (she is in a meeting at present) to make sure she is comfortable with these concerns being raised with the Minister. I will come back to you.

Regards, Bevan

Bevan Searancke | Senior Analyst | **The Treasury**

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From: Sebastian Doelle [39]
Sent: Tuesday, 20 February 2018 3:31 p.m.
To: Bevan Searancke [TSY] [39]
Cc: Tamsin Royson [39]
Subject: RE: Primary care paper

Hi Bevan,
Yes, I can confirm that a paper on primary care is intended to be lodged this Thursday for next week's Cabinet Committee.

Please let me know if you would like me to raise your concerns with the Minister.

Kind regards,
Seb

From: Bevan Searancke [TSY] [39]
Sent: Tuesday, 20 February 2018 2:36 PM
To: Sebastian Doelle [39]
Cc: Tamsin Royson [39]
Subject: Primary care paper

Hi Sebastian,

We've heard that Health may be targeting Cabinet committees next week for the primary care paper. Do you know if this is the case? [34]

Regards, Bevan

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