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Minute of Decision

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COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund (CRRF) July Package: Vote Social Development: Technical Decisions

Portfolios Housing / Social Development

On 6 July 2020, Cabinet:

- 1 **noted** that, in June 2020, Cabinet noted that the Minister of Housing and Minister for Social Development would seek funding for the additional operational costs of \$725,000 required to implement the policy decisions to expand access to the Rent Arrears Assistance Housing Support Product until 31 December 2020 [SWC-20-MIN-0052];
- 2 **agreed** to fund the additional operational costs referred to in paragraph 1 above associated with the temporary policy changes to expand the Rent Arrears Assistance Housing Support Product;
- 3 **approved** the following changes to appropriations to give effect to the decision in paragraph 2 above, with a corresponding impact on the operating balance and net core Crown debt:

Vote Social Development Minister of Housing	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25 & outyears
Departmental Output Expense:					
Services to Support People to Access Accommodation (funded by revenue Crown)	0.725	-	-	-	-

- 4 **agreed** that the changes to appropriations and/or capital injections for 2020/21 in paragraph 3 above be included in the 2020/21 Supplementary Estimates and that, in the interim, the increase be met from Imprest Supply;
- 5 **agreed** that the expenses incurred under paragraph 3 above be charged against the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund (CRRF) established as part of Budget 2020;

- 6 **noted** that all communications relating to the CRRF and 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.

Michael Webster
Secretary of the Cabinet
