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Treasury Report: Cabinet Paper Economic Supports under Omicron

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Action Sought

	Action Sought	Deadline
Minister of Finance (Hon Grant Robertson)	Sign the attached Cabinet paper.	15 February 2022

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Actions for the Minister's Office Staff (if required)

<p>Return the signed report to Treasury. Lodge the Cabinet paper with Cab office</p>
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Note any feedback on the quality of the report

Enclosure: No

Treasury Report: Cabinet Paper – Economic Supports Under Omicron

Recommended Action

We recommend that you:

- a **sign** the attached Cabinet paper for consideration at DEV

Agree/disagree

- b **note** officials will continue to refine the details of the COVID-19 Support Payment (CSP) to inform an implementation Cabinet paper and an Order in Council

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