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# Cabinet

## Minute of Decision

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### COVID-19: Response and Recovery Fund Foundation Package: Vote Women

On 11 May 2020, Cabinet:

- 1 **approved** the attached initiative for the above Vote for inclusion in the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund foundation package;
- 2 **agreed** to establish new appropriations where required to implement the initiative;
- 3 **approved** changes to appropriations and/or capital injections to the administering department (where applicable) to implement the initiative, as set out in the attached initiative document;
- 4 **approved** the additional recommendations to give effect to the initiatives, as set out in the attached initiative documents;
- 5 **agreed** that the changes to appropriations and/or capital injections for 2019/20 be included in the Addition to the 2019/20 Supplementary Estimates, and the changes to appropriations and/or capital injections for 2020/21 be included in the 2020/21 Supplementary Estimates, and that, in the interim, the increases be met from Imprest Supply;
- 6 **authorised** the Minister of Finance and the Appropriation Minister to approve jointly any technical adjustments to baselines necessary to remove any errors or inconsistencies identified while finalising the Addition to the 2019/20 Supplementary Estimates;
- 7 **noted** that all communications relating to the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund and any requests for early announcement must 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

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## Initiative No: 12749

**Vote:** Women

**Title:** Supporting Women's Non-Governmental Organisations to Deliver Services for Women Affected by the COVID-19 Pandemic

**Description:** This initiative provides funding to support women's non-governmental organisations that have seen an increased demand on their services as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. It will support non-governmental organisations to lead community initiatives such as translation services for migrant women; ensuring women are free from violence; education initiatives; addressing connectivity issues; as well as meeting urgent needs such as providing food parcels and clothing needs. This initiative is aimed at mitigating the impact on women of the pandemic and this support for women will have significant flow-on benefits for children.

### Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact	0.250	0.750	-	-	-
Debt Impact	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.250</b>	<b>0.750</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24 & Outyears
<b>Departmental Output Expense:</b>					
Improving the Lives of New Zealand Women (funded by revenue Crown)	-	0.750	-	-	-
<b>Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:</b>					
Policy Advice and Related Services (MCA)					
<i>Departmental Output Expense:</i>					
Policy Advice (funded by revenue Crown)	0.250	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.250</b>	<b>0.750</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

### Additional recommendations

- 8 **agreed** that any underspends related to the amounts appropriated for this initiative above be returned to the Centre;
- 9 **directed** the Ministry for Women to report to the Minister of Finance and the Minister for Women by 30 November 2020 on the implementation of the initiative.