



## BRIEFING

### Draft Cabinet paper: *The next three-year (2016/17 – 2018/19) refugee quota programme*

Date:	19 May 2016	Priority:	High
Security classification:	In Confidence	Tracking number:	3033 15-16

Action sought		
	Action sought	Deadline
Hon Michael Woodhouse Minister of Immigration	Agree to send a copy to the Minister of Finance	19 May 2016
	Advise any changes required	23 May 2016
Hon Craig Foss Associate Minister of Immigration	Copy attached for your information	N/A

Contact for telephone discussion (if required)			
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The following departments/agencies have been consulted					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasury	<input type="checkbox"/> MoJ	<input type="checkbox"/> NZTE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MSD	<input type="checkbox"/> TEC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MoE
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Minister's office to complete:

Approved

Declined

Noted

Needs change

Seen

Overtaken by Events

See Minister's Notes

Withdrawn

Comments:

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### Purpose

The purpose of this briefing is to:

- provide a draft Cabinet paper: *The next three-year (2016/17 – 2018/19) refugee quota programme* for you to share with the Minister of Finance, and
- seek your feedback on any changes required to the attached draft paper.

### Recommended action

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (the Ministry) recommends that you:

- a. **Note** that the attached draft Cabinet paper needs to be jointly agreed by the Minister of Foreign Affairs who is receiving a copy from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade  
*Noted*
- b. **Note** that to be considered by the Cabinet Economic Growth and Infrastructure Committee on 1 June 2016, this paper needs to be lodged by 10am, Thursday, 26 May 2016  
*Noted*
- c. **Agree** to send a copy of the attached draft Cabinet paper to the Minister of Finance so that he receives it one week before lodgement (as is required for papers where there are between-Budget financial implications)  
*Agree/disagree/discuss*

- d. **Agree** to advise any changes required to the attached draft paper by Monday 23 May 2016.

*Agree/disagree/discuss*



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Labour, Science and Enterprise, MBIE

Hon Michael Woodhouse  
**Minister of Immigration**

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### **Timing of EGI consideration**

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9. While the paper could be considered by the Economic Growth and Infrastructure (EGI) Committee on 1 June 2016, Minister McCully has expressed an interest in attending EGI when this paper is considered and he will be out of the country on that date. The paper could instead be considered by EGI on 8 June 2016, with a Cabinet decision on Monday, 13 June. This would still allow a short window for the announcement of the increase to the refugee quota to be made prior to the opening of the new MRRC facility on Saturday 18 June.

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