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In Confidence

Office of the Minister of Tourism Chair, Cabinet

PROPOSED OVERSEAS TRAVEL: HON KELVIN DAVIS: CHINA - 8-12 NOVEMBER 2019

- 1. I seek Cabinet approval to travel to China from 8-12 November 2019 to lead the New Zealand Government presence at the Closing Ceremony for the China-New Zealand Year of Tourism in November 2019.
- 2. The Prime Minister has approved the travel in principle and house leave has been sought from the Party Whip.

Purpose of Travel

- 3. The main purpose of this visit is to lead the New Zealand Government presence at the Closing Ceremony of the China-New Zealand Year of Tourism in Guangzhou. This event is an opportunity to reflect on our joint successes and achievements during the Year of Tourism, strengthen the bilateral relationship between our two countries and acknowledge the strong foundation we have laid for further cooperation in tourism.
- 4. As well as attending the Closing Ceremony of the China-New Zealand Year of Tourism, the programme will include bilateral meetings, visits and events organised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, and Tourism New Zealand.

Ministerial Delegation

- 5. I will be accompanied by my Senior Ministerial Advisor, and two officials from each of the Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment and Tourism New Zealand.
- 6. Official's expenses will be covered by their respective agencies.

Travel Costs

7. The projected costs of the proposed travel are:

Airfares: \$16,500
Accommodation other expenses: \$7,000
Hospitality and gifts: \$3,500
Contingency (10%): \$2,700
Total: \$29,700

Acting Ministers

- 8. In my absence, I propose the following Minister's will act in my portfolios:
 - 8.1. Hon Nanaia Mahuta will act in my Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti portfolio from 10:00pm on 8 November to 1:00am on 9 November.
 - 8.2. Hon Stuart Nash will act in my Corrections portfolio from 10:00pm on 8 November to 1:00am on 9 November.
 - 8.3. Hon Andrew Little will act in my Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti and Corrections portfolios from 1:00am on 9 November to 12 November.
 - 8.4. Hon Peeni Henare will act in my Tourism portfolio.

Proactive Release

9. This paper will be proactively released following my return, subject to any redactions made in line with Official Information Act 1982.

Recommendations

- 10. I recommend that Cabinet:
 - 10.1. **authorise** my absence from new Zealand, subject to leave from Pa travel to China from 8-12 November 2019;
 - 10.2. **agree** that I be accompanied by one staff member from my office;
 - 10.3. **approve** the estimated expenditure of \$29,700 for the travel expenses as a charge to Vote: Internal Affairs [Members of the Executive Travel]
 - 10.4. **note** that I will be accompanied by two officials each from the Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment and Tourism New Zealand and that their costs will be met by their respective agencies;
 - 10.5. agree that in my absence
 - 10.5.1. Hon Nanaia Mahuta act in my Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti portfolio from 10:00pm on 8 November to 1:00am on 9 November.
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 - 10.5.3. Hon Andrew Little act in my Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti and Corrections portfolios from 1:00am on 9 November to 12 November.
 - 10.5.4. Hon Peeni Henare will act in my Tourism portfolio.
 - 10.6. **note** that I will be absent from Cabinet meeting on Monday, 11 November

Authorised for lodgement

Hon Kelvin Davis
Minister of Tourism