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May 2025	Report on Overseas Travel: Hon Judith Collins – April 2025	Office of the Minister for Space
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Proposed Overseas Travel: Hon Judith Collins KC - April 2025

Portfolios Out of Scope Space

On 24 March 2025, Cabinet:

- 1 **authorised** the absence of Hon Judith Collins KC from New Zealand, subject to leave from Parliament being secured, from 6 to 12 April 2025, to travel to:
 - 1.1 Out of Scope
 - 1.2 Colorado, United States of America to attend the Space Symposium;
- 2 **agreed** that she be accompanied by two members of staff, Out of Scope
- 3 **approved** the estimated expenditure of up to \$58,700 for the travel expenses of the Ministerial party as a charge to Vote Internal Affairs (Members of the Executive – Travel);
- 4 **noted** that she will be accompanied by a delegation from the Out of Scope Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, whose costs will be met by their agencies;
- 5 **agreed** that in her absence:
 - 5.1 Hon Paul Goldsmith act as Attorney-General;
 - 5.2 Hon Chris Penk act as Minister of Defence;
 - 5.3 Hon James Meager act as Minister for Digitising Government;
 - 5.4 Hon James Meager act as Minister for the Public Service;
 - 5.5 Hon Paul Goldsmith act as Minister Responsible for the GCSB and Minister Responsible for the NZSIS;
 - 5.6 Hon Simon Watts act as Minister for Space;

6 **noted** that leave from Parliament has been sought.

Rachel Hayward
Secretary of the Cabinet

Secretary's note: *Following Cabinet, advice was received that Hon Simon Watts will act as Minister for Space from 6 to 9 April 2025 and Hon Tama Potaka will act as Minister for Space from 10 to 12 April 2025.*