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On 21 July 2025, Cabinet:

- 1 **authorised** the absence of Hon Paul Goldsmith from New Zealand, from 6 to 9 August 2025, to travel to Suva, Fiji to attend the second Pacific Island Nations Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Ministers Dialogue and to undertake bilateral meetings;
- 2 **agreed** that he be accompanied by one member of staff;
- 3 **approved** the estimated expenditure of up to \$12,390 for the travel expenses of the Ministerial party as a charge to Vote Internal Affairs (Members of the Executive – Travel);
- 4 **noted** that he will be accompanied by officials from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, whose travel costs will be met by their respective agencies;
- 5 **agreed** that in his absence:
 - 5.1 Hon Dr Shane Reti act as Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage;
 - 5.2 Hon Judith Collins KC act as Minister of Justice;
 - 5.3 Hon Chris Bishop act as Minister for Media and Communications;
 - 5.4 Hon Chris Penk act as Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations;
- 6 **noted** that the House is not sitting during his absence.

Rachel Hayward
Secretary of the Cabinet