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#### Power to Act for Group of Ministers over the Holiday Period 2021/2022

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*Title of minute:* Additional Item: Power to Act for Group of Ministers over the Christmas/New Year Holiday Period 2021/2022 (CAB-21-MIN-0536)

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# Cabinet

## Minute of Decision

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### Additional Item: Power to Act for Group of Ministers over the Christmas/ New Year Holiday Period 2021/2022

Portfolio Prime Minister

On 13 December 2021, Cabinet:

- 1 authorised a group of Ministers comprising the Prime Minister, Deputy Prime Minister, Hon Kelvin Davis and Hon Dr Megan Woods, in consultation with the relevant portfolio Minister(s) and Duty Minister, to have Power to Act to take decisions where major issues or emergencies arise during the period from the meeting of Cabinet on 20 December 2021 until the next meeting on 25 January 2022, that require Cabinet level decisions;
- 2 **invited** the respective portfolio Ministers to report to the next Cabinet meeting on any decisions taken under this Power to Act;
- 3 **noted** that the COVID-19 Ministerial Group also continues to have Power to Act to take decisions on COVID-19 response issues.

Michael Webster Secretary of the Cabinet