



Cabinet Economic Development Committee

Minute of Decision

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Review of the Trade in Endangered Species Act 1989: Release of Discussion Document

Portfolio **Conservation**

On 28 August 2019, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee (DEV):

- 1 **noted** that the Trade in Endangered Species Act 1989 (TIES Act) has a category 5 priority on the 2019 Legislation Programme (drafting instructions to be issued to the Parliamentary Counsel Office in 2019);
- 2 **noted** that the Minister of Conservation intends to release a public discussion document to support the review of the TIES Act;
- 3 **noted** that the discussion document will cover the following policy areas:
 - 3.1 the trade in elephant ivory;
 - 3.2 movement of taonga across international borders;
 - 3.3 personal and household effects;
 - 3.4 technical issues with permits;
 - 3.5 cost recovery;
- 4 **agreed** to the release of the discussion document, attached to the paper under DEV-19-SUB-0232, subject to any minor, editorial or design changes that may be required prior to its release;
- 5 **invited** the Minister of Conservation to report back to DEV with recommended amendments to the TIES Act following the public consultation.

Janine Harvey
Committee Secretary

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Present:

Hon Grant Robertson (Chair)
Hon Chris Hipkins
Hon David Parker
Hon Iain Lees-Galloway
Hon Jenny Salesa
Hon Damien O'Connor
Hon Willie Jackson
Hon James Shaw
Hon Eugenie Sage

Officials present from:

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