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Minister	Hon Carmel Sepuloni	Portfolio	Social Development and Employment
Title of Cabinet paper	Employment Strategy: October 2021 Report Back	Date to be published	7 December 2021

List of documents that have been proactively released

Date	Title	Author
October 2021	Employment Strategy: October 2021 Report Back	Office of the Minister for Social Development and Employment
20 October 2021	Employment Strategy: October 2021 Report Back SWC-21-MIN-0159 Minute	Cabinet Office
October 2021	Annex One – Progress on each employment action plan	MBIE
October 2021	Annex Two: Initiatives across government that align with the Employment Strategy objectives	MBIE
October 2021	Annex Three: Monitoring and evaluation dashboard for the Youth Employment Action Plan	MBIE

Information redacted

YES

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Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

Minute of Decision

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On 20 October 2021, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee (SWC):

- 1 **noted** that in August 2019, Cabinet approved the release of the all-of-government Employment Strategy and invited the Minister of Employment to report to SWC at six monthly intervals on the progress of the Employment Strategy and employment action plans [CAB-19-MIN-0385];
- 2 **noted** the progress updates for the Employment Strategy and Action Plans attached under SWC-21-MIN-0159;
- 3 **noted** that officials are working across agencies to coordinate where there are actions in common across the employment action plans, which will improve coordination and reduce the risk of duplication;
- 4 **agreed** that the reporting requirement for the Employment Strategy in paragraph 1 above be changed from six-monthly to annually, and that future employment action plan progress reports be provided to the Employment, Education and Training Ministers Group;
- 5 **agreed** that Ministers responsible for employment action plans are expected to consider how they will include actions targeted towards supporting women in the labour market.

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon Grant Robertson
Hon Kelvin Davis
Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair)
Hon Andrew Little
Hon Poto Williams
Hon Kris Faafoi
Hon Peeni Henare
Hon Willie Jackson
Hon Jan Tinetti
Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall
Hon Meka Whaitiri
Hon Aupito William Sio
Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan

Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister
Office of the SWC Chair
Officials Committee for SWC