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Minister	Hon Andrew Little	Portfolio	Immigration
Title of Cabinet paper	Government Response to the Report of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee: Petition of Democracy for Myanmar Working Group New Zealand: Emergency Rescue for Myanmar Refugees (Family Members of New Zealand Residents)	Date to be published	22 August 2023

List of documents that have been proactively released

Date	Title	Author
July 2023	Government Response to the Report of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee: Petition of Democracy for Myanmar Working Group New Zealand: Emergency Rescue for Myanmar Refugees (Family Members of New Zealand Residents) The Government Response is accessible here: https://selectcommittees.parliament.nz/v/Paper/378dd3c9-0231-4e3d-0a58-08db9221999d	Office of the Minister of Immigration
27 July 2023	Government Response to the Report of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee: Petition of Democracy for Myanmar Working Group New Zealand: Emergency Rescue for Myanmar Refugees (Family Members of New Zealand Residents) LEG-23-MIN-0127 Minute	Cabinet Office

Information redacted

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Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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Portfolio Immigration

On 27 July 2023, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 **noted** that, on 5 May 2023, the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee presented its report to the House, titled Petition of Democracy for Myanmar Working Group New Zealand: Emergency rescue for Myanmar refugees (family members of New Zealand residents);
- 2 **noted** that in this report, the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee made one recommendation, relating to the Minister of Immigration commissioning work on a specific immigration response to the humanitarian situation in Myanmar;
- 3 **approved** the proposed government response, attached as Appendix One to the submission under LEG-23-SUB-0127, to the report of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee;
- 4 **noted** that the government response must be presented to the House by 1 August 2023;
- 5 **invited** the Minister of Immigration to present the government response to the House, in accordance with Standing Order 256.

Rebecca Davies
Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon Grant Robertson (Chair)
Hon Andrew Little
Hon David Parker
Hon Kieran McAnulty
Hon Barbara Edmonds
Hon Dr Duncan Webb
Hon Dr Deborah Russell
Tangi Utikere, MP (Chief Government Whip)

Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister
Officials Committee for LEG