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Minister	Hon Judith Collins	Portfolio	Science, Innovation and Technology
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List of documents that have been proactively released

Date	Title	Author
March 2024	The Science System Advisory Group and the University Advisory Group	Office of the Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology Office of the Minister for Tertiary Education and Skills
March 2024	Terms of Reference: To establish the Science System Advisory Group and the University Advisory Group	MBIE, MOE
20 March 2024	The Science System Advisory Group and the University Advisory Group ECO-24-MIN-0030 Minute	Cabinet Office

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Cabinet Economic Policy Committee

Minute of Decision

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Science System Advisory Group and the University Advisory Group

Portfolio **Science, Innovation and Technology / Tertiary Education and Skills**

On 20 March 2024, the Cabinet Economic Policy Committee (ECO):

- 1 **noted** that the public research system faces enduring structural challenges that affect its ability to deliver value to New Zealand and this presents an opportunity to consider broader and longer-term challenges for both universities and the science, innovation and technology system;
- 2 **noted** that the Minister of Science, Innovation and Technology and the Minister for Tertiary Education and Skills intend to direct their respective Ministries to convene a Science System Advisory Group, and a University Advisory Group;
- 3 **noted** the Terms of Reference for each advisory group attached under ECO-24-SUB-0030;
- 4 **noted** that the above advisory groups will operate independently but connections will be drawn where appropriate;
- 5 **invited** the Minister of Science, Innovation and Technology and the Minister for Tertiary Education and Skills to report back to ECO in due course on the recommendations of the Science System Advisory Group and University Advisory Group.

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Present:

Rt Hon Christopher Luxon
Hon David Seymour
Hon Nicola Willis (Chair)
Hon Chris Bishop
Hon Simeon Brown
Hon Erica Stanford
Hon Judith Collins
Hon Todd McClay
Hon Tama Potaka
Hon Matt Doocey
Hon Melissa Lee
Hon Simon Watts
Hon Penny Simmonds
Hon Chris Penk
Hon Andrew Bayly
Hon Andrew Hoggard
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Officials Committee for ECO