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#### [IN-CONFIDENCE]

Office of the Minister of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
Chair, Cabinet

## Proposed Overseas Travel: Hon Andrew Bayly, 9-13 June 2024

- I seek Cabinet approval to travel to Singapore from 09 June to 13 June to attend the Singapore, Australia Anti Scams delegation meetings..
- The Prime Minister has approved the travel in-principle, and House leave has been sought from the Party Whip.

## **Purpose of Travel**

- The main purpose of this travel is to attend the Singapore-Australia scams and fraud delegation meetings. The meetings will be attended by the Australian Minister for Financial Services, Hon Stephen Jones, and relevant Singapore Ministers and representatives from their Ministries of Home Affairs, Communications, and Information.
- Meetings are to include key industry stakeholders from Australia, Singapore and New Zealand. Roger Beaumont the CEO of the New Zealand Banking Association will be in attendance. One of the Meetings will be with the Anti Scams and Fraud Command Centre at the Singapore Police Headquarters
- The key outcomes of these meetings will to be look for opportunities for cross government collaboration with industry to reduce substantial economic losses created by scams and fraud in the Asia-Pacific region. This will also help to formulate the key strategies and approach to these issues, here in New Zealand which I will look to implement shortly after my return.
- Also while in Singapore I intend on taking the opportunity to meet with the Singapore Monetary Authority (equivalent of the NZ FMA) and Competition and Consumer Commission (Equivalent to NZ Commerce Commission) to investigate improved regulation options, and better policy alignment. I also intend to visit the Singapore advanced remanufacturing technology centre to look at opportunities to increase manufacturing productivity in New Zealand.

#### Ministerial Party

- 7 The Minister's Senior Private Secretary, Paul Moir will accompany the Minister.
- The Minister will travel with Roger Beaumont, CEO of the NZ Banking Association, and Paul Stocks, Deputy Secretary of MBIE. They will fund their portion of the trip from their own budgets.

#### **Travel Costs**

9 List the estimated costs of the travel:

Airfares: \$16,829.46

Accommodation: \$4,080.00

Contingency/transport/etc \$5,850.00

Total: \$(rounded up to nearest \$) 26,760.00

## **Acting Minister**

10 Hon Chris Penk to be Acting Minister for 9 – 13 June 2024 for

- Commerce and Consumer Affairs
- Small Business and Manufacturing
- Statistics.

#### Proactive release

The Minister will proactively release his list of engagements through the monthly proactive release and briefings and Aide de Memoire's through the Agency websites. We will seek guidance from Australia and Singapore Governments as to any higher level of classifications for meetings be held.

### Recommendations

- 12 I recommend that Cabinet:
  - 12.1 authorise my absence from New Zealand, subject to leave from Parliament being secured (if the House is sitting), from 09 June to 13 June to travel to Singapore to attend the delegation meetings and other proposed Ministerial Meetings
  - 12.2 agree that I be accompanied by one member of staff.
  - 12.3 approve the estimated expenditure of \$26,760.00 for the travel expenses of the Ministerial party, as a charge to Vote: Internal Affairs [Members of the Executive Travel].
  - 12.4 note that I will be accompanied by a delegation of two, whose costs will be met by their own agencies directly.
  - agree that in my absence, Hon Chris Penk will be to be Acting Minister
     June 2024 for portfolios, Commerce, Consumer Affairs, Small Business, Manufacturing and Statistics.
  - 12.6 note that the House is not sitting during my absence.

12.7 note that leave from Parliament has been sought from the Party Whip.

Authorised for lodgement

Hon Andrew Bayly

Minister for Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Minister for Small Business and Manufacturing

Minister of Statistics