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Proposed Overseas Travel: Hon Judith Collins – April 2024

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On 2 April 2024, Cabinet:

- 1 **authorised** the absence of Hon Judith Collins from New Zealand, from 21 to 27 April 2024, to travel to:
 - 1.1 Paris and Le Quesnoy, France to attend the OECD Science and Technology Ministerial Meeting and bilateral meetings, and to make an informal visit to the New Zealand Liberation Museum, Te Arawhata;
 - 1.2 Flanders, Belgium to attend Anzac Day Commemorations;
- 2 **agreed** that she be accompanied by two members of staff, one of whose travel costs will be met from Vote Defence;
- **3 approved** the estimated expenditure of up to \$57,415 for the travel expenses of the ministerial party, as a charge to Vote Internal Affairs (Members of the Executive Travel);
- 4 **noted** that she will also be accompanied by a Brussels-based official from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, whose travel costs will be met by their agency;
- 5 **agreed** that in her absence:
 - 5.1 Hon Chris Penk act as Attorney-General, Minister of Defence, and Lead Coordination Minister for the Government's Response to the Royal Commission's Report into the Terrorist Attack on the Christchurch Mosques;
 - 5.2 Hon Melissa Lee act as Minister for Digitising Government;
 - 5.3 Hon Andrew Bayly act as Minister Responsible for the GCSB and Minister Responsible for the NZSIS;
 - 5.4 Hon Todd McClay act as Minister of Science, Innovation and Technology;
 - 5.5 Hon Simon Watts act as Minister for Space;
- 6 **noted** that the House is not sitting during her absence.

Rachel Hayward Secretary of the Cabinet