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Minister	Hon Kelvin Davis	Portfolio	Tourism
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In Confidence

Office of the Prime Minister
Chair, Cabinet

PROPOSED OVERSEAS TRAVEL: HON KELVIN DAVIS: CHINA – 21-29 JUNE 2019

1. I seek Cabinet approval to travel to China from 21 June to 29 June 2019. The purpose of the visit is to build on the successful China-New Zealand Year of Tourism engagements I had with the HE Luo Shugang, Minister of Culture and Tourism.
2. The Prime Minister has approved the travel in-principle, and House leave has been sought from the Party Whip.

Purpose of travel

3. This visit will build on the successful engagements I had with Mr Luo during his visit and strengthen the overall bilateral relationship. Officials plan to sign an enhanced tourism arrangement in June, which will be built on at the Closing Ceremony of the China-New Zealand Year of Tourism in November.
4. While the visit will have a strong government-to-government focus, it will also align with Kia Ora South, a trade mission delivered by Christchurch Airport and tourism partners across the South Island. I intend to provide a Ministerial presence for several anchor events.

Ministerial Party

5. I will be accompanied by my Ministerial Advisor, and two officials from each of the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment and Tourism New Zealand.
6. Officials' expenses will be covered by their respective agencies.

Travel costs

7. The estimated costs of the trip are:

Airfares:	\$31,000
Accommodation and other expenses:	\$8,500
Hospitality and gifts:	\$3,000
Contingency (5%)	\$2,125
Total:	\$44,625

Acting Ministers

8. During my travel period, Hon Andrew Little will act in my capacity as Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti, and as Minister of Corrections.
9. Hon David Parker will act in my capacity as Minister of Tourism.

Recommendations

10. I recommend that Cabinet:
 - 10.1 authorise my absence from New Zealand, subject to leave from Parliament being secured, from 21 June to 29 June 2019 to travel to China to build on the successful China-New Zealand Year of Tourism engagements I had with the HE Luo Shugang, Minister of Culture and Tourism;
 - 10.2 agree that I be accompanied by one member of staff from my office;
 - 10.3 approve the estimated expenditure of \$44,625 for the travel expenses of the Ministerial party, as a charge to Vote: Internal Affairs [Members of the Executive – Travel];
 - 10.4 note that I will be I will be accompanied by two officials from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment and Tourism New Zealand, whose costs will be met by their respective agencies;
 - 10.5 agree that in my absence:
 - 10.5.1 Hon Andrew Little will act in my capacity as Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti, and as Minister of Corrections
 - 10.5.2 Hon David Parker will act in my capacity as Minister of Tourism
 - 10.6 note that the House is sitting during my absence, and I will miss one Cabinet meeting on Monday 24 June.

Authorised for lodgement

Hon Kelvin Davis

Minister of Tourism