



Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

Minute of Decision

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Amendments to Arms Act 1983 Regulations: Release of Consultation Document

Portfolio **Police**

On 10 March 2021, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee:

- 1 **noted** that regulations are needed to support the implementation of recent and upcoming amendments to the Arms Act 1983 (the Act);
- 2 **noted** that the Minister of Police is required, before recommending that regulations be made under the Act, to be satisfied that the Commissioner of Police has done everything reasonable to consult persons or organisations who in the opinion of the Commissioner will be affected by such regulations;
- 3 **agreed** to release the consultation document attached under SWC-21-SUB-0011, for a five-week public consultation period commencing as soon as practicable;
- 4 **authorised** the Minister of Police to make any necessary editorial or minor content changes to the consultation document prior to release;
- 5 **noted** that the Minister of Police intends to report back to the appropriate Cabinet committee:
 - 5.1 on the outcome of public consultation;
 - 5.2 seeking decisions on the Arms Amendment Regulations;
 - 5.3 seeking approval to issue drafting instructions to the Parliamentary Counsel Office for those Regulations.

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Present: (see over)

Present:

Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern
Hon Grant Robertson
Hon Kelvin Davis
Hon Dr Megan Woods
Hon Chris Hipkins
Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair)
Hon Poto Williams
Hon Damien O'Connor
Hon Kris Faafoi
Hon Peeni Henare
Hon Willie Jackson
Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall
Hon Aupito William Sio
Hon Meka Whaitiri
Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan

Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister
Officials Committee for SWC

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