



## **Proactive release of material relating to establishing a new National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)**

The material in this proactive release includes briefings, aides memoire and Cabinet material directly related to establishing a new National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), as itemised below. Documents relating to consultation undertaken with local government representatives have not been included in this release.

This material has been proactively released by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, on behalf of Hon Peeni Henare, Minister of Civil Defence.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Item</b>
02/05/19	Cabinet Paper: Delivering Better Responses to Emergencies: National Structures
15/04/19	Cabinet Minute of Decision: 2019 Budget Package: Vote Prime Minister and Cabinet
09/05/19	Cabinet Government Administration and Expenditure Review Committee Minute of Decision Delivering Better Responses to Emergencies: National Structures
27/03/18	Preliminary Advice on the TAG's recommendations
26/06/18	Current thinking on the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to support your meeting with SSC and DPMC
26/10/18	Delivering Better Responses to Emergencies: National Structures
23/11/18	Advice on the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)
21/02/19	Final National Structures Cabinet Paper
28/02/19	Final National Structures Cabinet Paper Redraft
28/03/19	Letter to the Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance following Budget Bilateral
8/05/19	Cabinet Paper on National Structures for the Emergency Management System
12/03/19	Budget 2019 Initiatives and Prioritisation Submissions
12/10/18	Progress on Implementing the Emergency Management System Reforms
16/11/18	Status Update on the Emergency Management System Reforms Programme
30/11/18	Status Update on the Emergency Management System Reforms Programme
14/12/18	Status Update on the Emergency Management System Reforms Programme
30/01/19	Status Update on the Emergency Management System Reforms Programme

13/02/19	Status Update on the Emergency Management System Reforms Programme
27/02/19	Status Update on the Emergency Management System Reforms Programme
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10/04/19	Status Update on the Emergency Management System Reforms Programme
9/05/19	Status Update on the Emergency Management System Reforms Programme
22/05/19	Status Update on the Emergency Management System Reforms Programme

Some parts of this information release would not be appropriate to release and, if requested, would be withheld under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Where this is the case, the relevant section of the Act that would apply has been identified. Where information has been withheld, no public interest has been identified that would outweigh the reasons for withholding it. Some material has also been withheld as out of scope of in these documents, as it is not directly related to establishing NEMA.

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- 9(2)(a), to protect the privacy of individuals;
- 9(2)(f)(iv): to maintain the confidentiality of advice tendered by or to Ministers and officials;
- 9(2)(g)(i): to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinion; and
- 9(2)(h), to maintain legal professional privilege.

The following items are not included in this release:

Item	Withholding grounds
Cabinet paper: Delivering better responses to emergencies: National Structures (2 March 2019)	Withheld in full under 9(2)(f)(iv)
Aide-Memoire: Cabinet paper on National Structures for the Emergency Management System (5 March 2019)	Withheld in full under 9(2)(f)(iv) and 9(2)(g)(i)
Budget bid: Delivering better responses to emergencies: Establishing a new national emergency management agency	Withheld in full under 9(2)(f)(iv)



# Briefing

## STATUS UPDATE ON THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REFORMS PROGRAMME

To: Hon Kris Faafoi, Minister of Civil Defence

<b>Date</b>	16/11/2018	<b>Priority</b>	
<b>Deadline</b>	19/11/2018	<b>Briefing Number</b>	1819NSP/048


### Purpose

This paper provides an update on the work underway to implement the Government's decisions in response to the Technical Advisory Group's (TAG) report *Better Responses to Natural Disasters and Other Emergencies*.

### Recommendations

It is recommended that you:

- Note** contents of the attached report.

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16/11/2018

Hon Kris Faafoi <b>Minister of Civil Defence</b>
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**Minister's office comments:**

- Noted
- Seen
- Approved
- Needs change
- Withdrawn
- Not seen by Minister
- Overtaken by events
- Referred to

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## Purpose

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1. This paper provides an update on the work underway to implement the Government's decisions in response to the Technical Advisory Group's (TAG) report *Better Responses to Natural Disasters and Other Emergencies*.




## Background

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2. In August 2018, the Government responded to the recommendations set out in the TAG's report. The Government's decisions set out a significant programme of work and change for the emergency management sector. Much of this work is being led by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC), involving stakeholders from across the system.
3. DPMC has established the Emergency Management System Reforms (EMSR) Programme to oversee the work to implement the Government's recent decisions. This will allow DPMC to keep oversight of the programme as a whole and to focus on the outcomes and change sought by this programme of work as well as the delivery of individual outputs.
4. You have asked for a regular meeting and report about the programme to ensure that you have visibility of the various strands of work. The first report was provided to you on 15 October 2018. This is the second regular report.

## Overview of programme timelines

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5. Out of scope  

6. The attached EMSR Portfolio Timeline differentiates between activity which has already been agreed and funded, and activity which is proposed, pending agreement and funding decisions. Much of the future direction of this programme is dependent on three critical decision points:
  - A Cabinet decision (anticipated for 10 December 2018) on the form and function of a potential National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA).
  - Out of scope  

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7. Out of scope  


## Update on EMSR programme progress

- The table below summarises progress in each of the EMSR Programme's work streams.

Workstream	Due	Status	Progress in the past month
Policy work			
National structures	Cabinet in Nov 2018		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We are making progress on the NEMA Cabinet paper, however timelines are very tight to resolve remaining issues (e.g. advice around location; implications for lead agencies) in time for robust ministerial consultation. We have met with the Treasury about the interaction between the Cabinet paper and any budget bid. We will develop the full NEMA budget option as well as some alternatives for the Government to consider.</li> </ul>
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**Appendix 1: EMSR Programme Timelines A3**

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