



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.

Date	Item
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.

Key to redaction codes:

- 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

Date	13/02/2019	Priority	Routine
Deadline	18/02/2019	Briefing Number	1819NSP/084


Purpose

This paper provides an update on the Emergency Management System Reforms (EMSR) Programme, which incorporates 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:

1. **Discuss** the attached report with officials from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) on 18 February 2019.


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13/2/2019

Hon Kris Faafoi
Minister of Civil Defence

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Minister's office comments:

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- Withdrawn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

Update on EMSR programme progress

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

Workstream	Due	Status	Progress in the past fortnight
Policy work			
National structures (NEMA, lead agencies)	Cabinet paper for GOV 7 March		We are currently finalising the NEMA Cabinet paper following your meeting with Brook Barrington. We are aiming to get the final draft paper to your office by 18 February 2019 so that you can start Ministerial and coalition consultation.
Out of scope			

Workstream	Due	Status	Progress in the past fortnight
Implementation			Out of scope

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