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Extending Support for Temporary Visa Holders in New Zealand

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17 February 2021, Cabinet Paper – Extending Support for Temporary Visa Holders in New Zealand

17 February 2021, Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee Minute SWC-21-MIN-0004, Cabinet Office.

22 February 2021, Cabinet Minute CAB-21-MIN-0024, Cabinet Office.

This Cabinet paper sought Cabinet agreement to continue to provide financial support to temporary visa holders who are in hardship in New Zealand through an extension to the provision of the Emergency Benefit for a further six months to 31 August 2021.

The Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee Minute agreed that the Ministry of Social Development continue to provide Emergency Benefits to support temporary visa holders who are in hardship in New Zealand for a further 6 months, to 31 August 2021.

The Cabinet Minute of Decision confirmed agreement to extend the provision of financial support to temporary visa holders in New Zealand to 31 August 2021.

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