

Cabinet Paper material

Proactive release

Minister & portfolio Minister Hipkins, Education
Name of package Broadening Eligibility Criteria for Border Exceptions
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1278958 Education Report: Broadening Eligibility Criteria for Teacher Border Exceptions

7 December 2021

1276661 Education Report: Teacher Workforce Border Exception – Update and Next Steps

1 December 2021

1268189 Education Report: Teacher Workforce Border Exception – Stakeholder Feedback, Prioritisation and Funding

31 August 2021

1263721 Education Report: Teacher Workforce Border Exception Scheme

1 July 2021

1252370 Education Report: Applying for an exception to border entry restrictions for overseas trained teachers

1 March 2021

Material redacted

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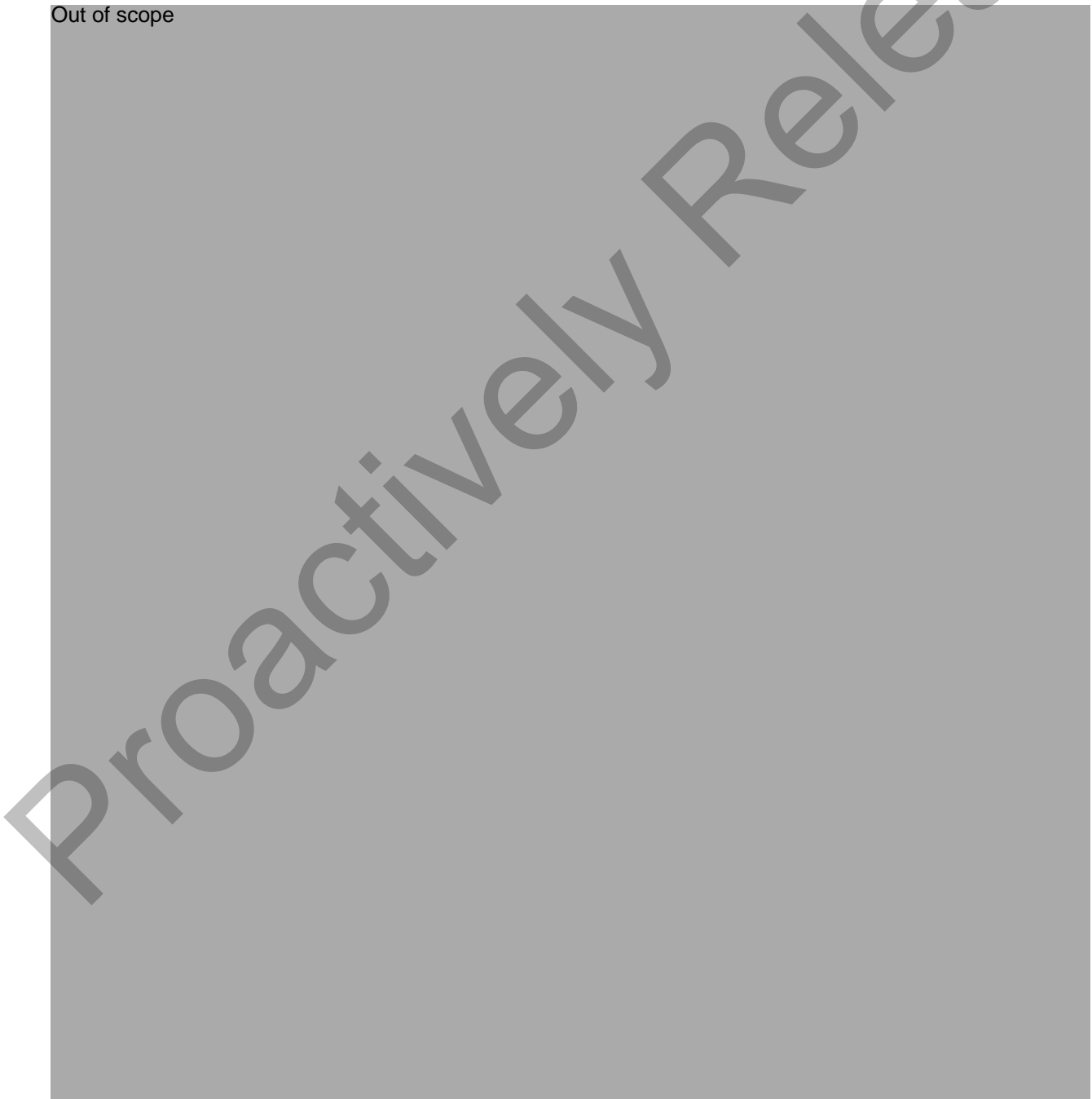
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Report of the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee: Period Ended 17 December 2021

On 20 December 2021, Cabinet made the following decisions on the work of the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee for the period ended 17 December 2021:

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**Additional Item: Broadening Eligibility Criteria
for Border Exceptions**
Portfolios: Education

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Michael Webster
Secretary of the Cabinet



Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

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Additional Item: Broadening Eligibility Criteria for Border Exceptions

Portfolio Education

On 15 December 2021, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee:

- 1 **noted** that in June 2021, Cabinet agreed to a class exception for up to 300 teachers (plus partners and dependent children) over the next twelve months for those that meet specified eligibility criteria [CAB-21-MIN-0212];
- 2 **noted** that the Border Exceptions Ministerial Group have agreed to broaden the eligibility criteria for overseas qualified teacher border class exception by:
 - 2.1 allowing all early learning services, state and state-integrated schools, and kura to apply;
 - 2.2 allowing all subject teachers, including STEM, to be eligible;
 - 2.3 removing the cap of two applications per school/service;
- 3 **noted** that the above changes do not increase the total number of teacher border exceptions approved by Cabinet in June 2021;
- 4 **confirmed** the decisions in paragraph 2 above;
- 5 **invited** the Minister of Immigration to certify Immigration Instructions to give effect to the decisions in paragraph 2 above.

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Attendance (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 Andrew Little
Hon David Parker
Hon Poto Williams
Hon Damien O'Connor
Hon Kris Faafoi
Hon Peeni Henare
Hon Willie Jackson
Hon Aupito William Sio
Hon Meka Whaitiri
Hon Priyanka Radhakrishnan

Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister
Office of the Chair
Officials Committee for SWC

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