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## **Minute of Decision**

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## Additional Item: Afghanistan: New Zealand Provincial Reconstruction Team

Portfolio: Defence

On 27 August 2012, Cabinet:

- noted the briefing by the Minister of Defence on the current situation in respect of the New Zealand Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) in Bamyan and the timetable for withdrawal from the North East of the province;
- agreed to the deployment of the following additional elements to Afghanistan to reduce the risk to the PRT:
  - a four person SAS planning team to be deployed to ISAF Special Operations Force HQ in Kabul;
    - 2.2
  - a logistics officer to be deployed to ISAF HQ in Kabul to further start planning the withdrawal of the PKT;
  - 2.4
- noted that the Minister of Defence intends to submit a paper to Cabinet on 3 September 2012 on the details of the arrangements for the withdrawal of the PRT from Bamyan and the additional logistics support that will be required.

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