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Minute of Decision

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Additional Item: Afghanistan: Power to Act for Group of Ministers

On 6 July 2009, Cabinet:

1. **noted** the briefing by the Prime Minister on the issues concerning a possible further New Zealand contribution to the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) in Afghanistan;
2. **authorised** a group of Ministers comprising the Prime Minister, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the Minister of Defence to have Power to Act during the period from 6 July 2009 until the next meeting of Cabinet to take decisions on the next steps on a further New Zealand contribution to support ISAF, **subject to** endorsement of the decisions by Cabinet;
3. **invited** the Prime Minister to report back to Cabinet on any decisions made by the group of Ministers.

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Secretary of the Cabinet

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