



BRIEFING NOTE FOR
MINISTER OF DEFENCE

Title:	NEW ZEALAND DEFENCE FORCE SUPPORT TO CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE		
NZDF File No:	NZDF Tracking #: 2020-019 (For OCDF Use Only)	Minister's Tracking#: (For Minister's Office)	
Importance of the Issue:	<input type="checkbox"/> High	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> Routine
Request Ministerial response by:	Not required.		
Contact:	Lieutenant Colonel s. 9(2)(g)(i)	Tel: s. 9(2)(a)	A/H: s. 9(2)(a)
<p>1. An outbreak of Novel Coronavirus has been ongoing in China with the epicentre being Hubei Province. As part of the All-of-Government response, a flight has been arranged to provide an assisted departure from China of New Zealanders and approved foreign nationals. The New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) will provide accommodation and support to establish a directed accommodation facility at Tamaki Leadership Centre, Whangaparaoa, for the management of New Zealanders and approved foreign nationals being repatriated.</p> <p>2. Specific support being provided by the NZDF is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the use of buildings and facilities at the Tamaki Leadership Centre; two personnel as part of the on-site leadership/management team; the provision of general support functions including: catering, water, security and waste removal. This is being done through the use of existing NZDF contractors, or new contracts established and managed by the NZDF; a joint Navy and Army detachment to assist with the arrival and settling in of the assisted departure persons. This will surge to support the initial 48 hours, then reduce to support steady-state activity; a logistic detachment as required, based in Devonport Naval Base, to provide support for additional requirements; and ongoing staff and liaison support to the Ministry of Health, NZ Police, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. <p>Recommendation</p> <p>3. I recommend that you:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Note the current NZDF support being provided for the Novel Coronavirus response. 			
Minister's Comments:			
Minister's Action:	Signed / Noted / Agreed / Approved / Declined / Discussion Required		
	Referred to:		
Signature:	Date:		

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Date: 5 February 2020