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## **TABLING OF 2019-20 ANNUAL REPORTS**

Section 64 of the *Financial Management Act 2006* (the FMA) requires Ministers to lay before each House of Parliament, their agency's annual report and the opinion of the Auditor General within 90 days of the end of the financial year (ie. by 28 September 2020). It is understood that, for practical purposes, the last date for tabling is 24 September 2020 for the 2019-20 annual reports.

I wish to advise that I will not be able to table in Parliament the 2019-20 annual report for the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD's) by 24 September 2020:

The annual report and the opinion of the Auditor General of the above agency will not be ready for tabling within the prescribed period as the Office of the Auditor General's independent review on DPIRD's financial statements and controls is still ongoing. The Exit Interview has been rescheduled for the 23 September 2020, with the Audit Opinion expected on the 25 September 2020.

It is anticipated the annual reports for the above agencies will be tabled in both Houses of Parliament by the 15 October 2020.

It is understood that you will inform each House of Parliament of the late submission on behalf of all affected Ministers with precedent set in 2017.

I hereby request you to inform both Houses of Parliament on my behalf of the late tabling of the above annual reports no later than 24 September 2020 as required by section 65(1) of the FMA.

Thank you for facilitating this notification to Parliament on my behalf.

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