

Clare Curran resigns as Minister in the New Zealand Government

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On 7 September 2018 New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern accepted Hon Clare Curran's resignation as a Minister.

Kris Faafoi will become the Minister of Broadcasting, Communications and Digital Media, remaining outside of Cabinet.

Peeni Henare will become the Associate Minister for ACC.

Two weeks ago Curran was removed from Cabinet and lost her Government Digital Services and Associate State Services (Open Government) portfolios after failing to properly disclose a meeting with an applicant for the Government's Chief Technology Officer role. Hawker Britton's Occasional Paper on this announcement is available here.

Ardern stated that Curran had come to the view that ongoing negative publicity had become an unacceptable distraction for the Government and put immense pressure on her personally.

Further information

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