## Outline of security portfolio responsibilities

## **Minister for National Security and Intelligence:**

- Leadership of the national security system
- Responsible for the overall policy settings and legislative framework of the sector
- Chairs the National Security Committee of Cabinet
- Chairs the Intelligence and Security Committee (as Prime Minister)
- Gives final approval to the sector's Four Year Plan in the Budget process
- Recommends (as Prime Minister) the appointment of the Director of Security, Director of GCSB, Inspector General and Deputy Inspector General of Intelligence and Security, and Commissioner of Security Warrants
- Is supported by the DPMC Security and Intelligence Group.

## Minister Responsible for the GCSB and Minister in Charge of the NZ Security Intelligence Service:

- Operates within the framework set by the Minister for National Security and Intelligence
- Exercises Ministerial oversight of the GCSB and NZSIS
- Approves applications for warrants and authorisations under the GCSB and NZSIS Acts
- Submits papers, including business cases for investment, to Cabinet for approval as required
- Contributes to the development of the Four Year Plan
- Approval and presentation of Annual Reports to the House
- Is supported by DPMC Security and Intelligence Group.

## Note:

1. Parliamentary questions and Official Information Act requests will be dealt with by the appropriate Minister.