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## AGA Cabinet paper

Hon Carmel Sepuloni, Minister for Social Development

Annual General Adjustment 2019

25 March 2019

These documents have been proactively released.

Cabinet minute confirmed on 25 February 2019.

### **25 February 2019 - Orders in Council and amendment regulations for the annual general adjustment of rates and thresholds - Office of the Minister for Social Development**

Every year, most of MSD's rates and thresholds are adjusted to account for inflation, according to the Consumers Price Index. In order to change these rates and thresholds, amendments to legislation are required.

This year, MSD also included three remedial matters alongside the Annual General Adjustment (AGA) – two minor technical amendments following the rewrite of the Social Security Act, and exempting the backpayments made for the Accommodation Supplement boundaries issue from income and cash assets tests for social assistance.

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