

THE PARLIAMENTARY SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES  
DETERMINATION 1980

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PURSUANT to section 16 of the Civil List Act 1979 and to the Higher Salaries Commission Act 1977, the Higher Salaries Commission hereby makes the following determination.

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DETERMINATION

**1. Title and commencement**—(1) This determination may be cited as the Parliamentary Salaries and Allowances Determination 1980.

(2) This determination shall be deemed to have come into force on the 10th day of November 1979.

**2. Salaries**—The salaries payable pursuant to section 16 of the Civil List Act 1979 shall be those set out in the First Schedule to this determination.

**3. Allowances**—(1) The allowances payable pursuant to section 16 of the Civil List Act 1979 shall be those set out in the Second Schedule to this determination.

(2) Each expense allowance provided for in clause 1, clause 2, clause 5 (a), clause 6 (a), clause 7 (a), clause 8 (a), or clause 9 (a) of the Second Schedule to this determination shall be paid to the recipient for the purpose of providing for expenses incurred by that recipient in connection with that recipient's official and parliamentary duties.

**4. Revocations**—The following determinations are hereby revoked, namely:

- (a) The Parliamentary Salaries and Allowances Determination 1978\*;
- (b) The Parliamentary Salaries and Allowances Determination 1978, Amendment No. 1†;
- (c) The Parliamentary Salaries and Allowances Determination 1978, Amendment No. 2‡.

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\*S.R. 1978/245  
†S.R. 1979/178  
‡S.R. 1979/283

## SCHEDULES

## FIRST SCHEDULE

Cl. 2

SALARIES PAYABLE PURSUANT TO SECTION 16 OF THE CIVIL LIST ACT  
1979

Office	Yearly Rate of Salary \$
<i>Members of the Executive</i>	
Prime Minister .....	57,780
Deputy Prime Minister .....	45,043
Each Minister of the Crown holding a portfolio or portfolios (other than the Prime Minister or the Deputy Prime Minister) .....	39,948
Each Minister of the Crown without portfolio .....	32,306
Each Parliamentary Under-Secretary .....	31,032
<i>Officers of the House of Representatives</i>	
Speaker of the House of Representatives .....	37,082
Chairman of Committees of the House of Repre- sentatives .....	31,988
<i>Leader and Deputy Leader of the Official Opposition</i>	
Leader of the Official Opposition .....	39,948
Deputy Leader of the Official Opposition .....	31,032
<i>Whips</i>	
Chief Government Whip .....	28,485
Chief Opposition Whip .....	28,485
Junior Government Whip .....	26,575
Junior Opposition Whip .....	26,575
<i>Members of the House of Representatives</i>	
Each member of the House of Representatives to whom the foregoing provisions of this Schedule do not apply .....	23,390

## SECOND SCHEDULE

Cl. 3

ALLOWANCES PAYABLE PURSUANT TO SECTION 16 OF THE CIVIL LIST ACT  
1979*Members of the Executive*

**1. Expense allowance**—There shall be paid to each Minister of the Crown and to each Parliamentary Under-Secretary an expense allowance in accordance with the following table:

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*

Office	Yearly Rate of Expense Allowance \$
Prime Minister .....	10,725
Deputy Prime Minister .....	4,675
Each Minister of the Crown holding a portfolio or portfolios (other than the Prime Minister or the Deputy Prime Minister) .....	4,400
Each Minister of the Crown without portfolio .....	3,465
Each Parliamentary Under-Secretary .....	3,465

**2. Additional allowance for Minister of Foreign Affairs**—There shall be paid to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, in addition to his expense allowance under clause 1 of this Schedule, an allowance at the rate of \$3,850 a year to provide for expenses incurred in connection with his official duties.

**3. Travelling allowances**—(1) There shall be paid to each Minister of the Crown and to each Parliamentary Under-Secretary an allowance for every day on which he is travelling within New Zealand on public service.

(2) The allowance payable in accordance with this clause shall be \$44 a day:

Provided that the allowance shall be \$88 for any day on which the person entitled attends by reason of the duties of his office an official function to which the person is invited or is required to go primarily because he holds the office and which his wife necessarily attends and which involves him and his wife in requiring overnight accommodation away from home.

**4. House allowance**—There shall be paid to each Minister of the Crown or Parliamentary Under-Secretary who is not provided at the public cost with a residence at the seat of Government a house allowance at the rate of \$600 a year.

*Officers of the House*

**5. Speaker**—There shall be paid to the Speaker of the House of Representatives—

- (a) A basic expense allowance at the rate of \$3,850 a year; and
- (b) An additional allowance at the rate of \$3,520 a year to provide for expenses incurred in connection with his office as Speaker; and
- (c) An electorate allowance at the appropriate rate specified in clause 10 of this Schedule; and
- (d) A day allowance, where it is payable in accordance with clause 11 of this Schedule, at the rate specified in that clause; and
- (e) A travelling allowance, at the rate prescribed by clause 3 (2) of this Schedule, for every day on which he is travelling away from Wellington or his electorate but within New Zealand on official business.

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*

**6. Chairman of Committees**—There shall be paid to the Chairman of Committees of the House of Representatives—

- (a) A basic expense allowance at the rate of \$3,850 a year; and
- (b) An additional allowance at the rate of \$2,090 a year to provide for expenses incurred in connection with his office as Chairman of Committees of the House of Representatives; and
- (c) An electorate allowance at the appropriate rate specified in clause 10 of this Schedule; and
- (d) A day allowance, where it is payable in accordance with clause 11 of this Schedule, at the rate specified in that clause.

*Leader and Deputy Leader of the Opposition*

**7. Leader of the Opposition**—There shall be paid to the member of the House of Representatives who is for the time being Leader of the Official Opposition—

- (a) An expense allowance at the rate of \$4,400 a year; and
- (b) Where he resides in Wellington, a house allowance at the rate of \$600 a year; and
- (c) Where he does not reside in Wellington—
  - (i) A day allowance, where it is payable in accordance with clause 11 of this Schedule, at the rate specified in that clause; and
  - (ii) A night allowance, where it is payable in accordance with clause 12 of this Schedule, at the rate specified in that clause; and
- (d) A travelling allowance, at the rate prescribed by clause 3 (2) of this Schedule, for every day on which he is travelling outside his electorate but within New Zealand in connection with his official duties.

**8. Deputy Leader of the Opposition**—There shall be paid to the member of the House of Representatives who is for the time being Deputy Leader of the Official Opposition—

- (a) A basic expense allowance at a rate of \$5,060 a year; and
- (b) An additional allowance at the rate of \$1,760 a year to provide for expenses incurred in connection with his office as Deputy Leader of the Official Opposition; and
- (c) An electorate allowance at the appropriate rate specified in clause 10 of this Schedule; and
- (d) A day allowance, where it is payable in accordance with clause 11 of this Schedule, at the rate specified in that clause; and
- (e) A night allowance, where it is payable in accordance with clause 12 of this Schedule, at the rate specified in that clause.

*Members*

**9. Allowances**—There shall be paid to each member of the House of Representatives to whom the foregoing provisions of this Schedule do not apply—

- (a) A basic expense allowance at the rate of \$5,060 a year; and

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*

- (b) An electorate allowance at the appropriate rate specified in clause 10 of this Schedule; and
- (c) A day allowance, where it is payable in accordance with clause 11 of this Schedule, at the rate specified in that clause; and
- (d) A night allowance, where it is payable in accordance with clause 12 of this Schedule, at the rate specified in that clause.

*Particular Allowances*

**10. Electorate allowances**—(1) The electorate allowance payable under clauses 5 (c), 6 (c), 8 (c), and 9 (b) of this Schedule, in the case of a member for a general electorate, shall be—

- (a) In the case of a member for a wholly urban electorate or for a substantially urban electorate, \$530 a year:
  - (b) In the case of a member for a partially urban and partially rural electorate, \$1,175 a year:
  - (c) In the case of a member for an ordinary rural electorate, \$2,265 a year:
  - (d) In the case of a member for a predominantly rural electorate, \$2,595 a year.
- (2) The electorate allowance payable under clauses 5 (c), 6 (c), 8 (c), and 9 (b) of this Schedule shall be—
- (a) In the case of the member for the Southern Maori electorate, \$3,440 a year:
  - (b) In the case of the member for any other Maori electorate, \$3,020 a year.
- (3) For the purposes of this clause an electorate is—
- (a) A wholly urban electorate; or
  - (b) A substantially urban electorate; or
  - (c) A partially urban and partially rural electorate; or
  - (d) An ordinary rural electorate; or
  - (e) A predominantly rural electorate,—

if it is classified as such by the Representation Commission established under the Electoral Act 1956 in its report dated the 18th day of March 1977 (Parliamentary Paper H. 1 of 1977).

**11. Day allowance**—The rate of the day allowance under clauses 5 (d), 6 (d), 7 (c) (i), 8 (d), and 9 (c) of this Schedule shall be \$10 for—

- (a) Each sitting day while Parliament is in session, being a day on which the member attends the sittings of Parliament or of any Select Committee of Parliament; and
- (b) Each day, while Parliament is not in session, on which the member attends the sittings of a Select Committee of Parliament of which he is a member or which he is required to attend because of being in charge of a Bill or other matter under consideration by the Committee or for any other valid reason relating only to the business of the Committee, or on which the member attends a properly notified meeting of a party caucus or of a committee of a party caucus (being a committee with a quorum of not less than 3), or on which the member

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attends in Wellington any ceremony or official function or national or international conference as a representative of Parliament or with the authority of the House of Representatives; and

- (c) Each day on which the member is in Wellington, but is unable to attend any such sittings because of sickness or some other reason accepted by the Speaker of the House of Representatives as sufficient; and
- (d) In the case of any Whip, any other day on which he is in Wellington on parliamentary business.

**12. Night allowance**—The rate of the night allowance under clauses 7 (c) (ii), 8 (e), and 9 (d) of this determination shall be \$22 for each night on which the member requires overnight accommodation away from his home outside Wellington—

- (a) By reason of his proceeding by the ordinary means of transport available to him for the purpose of attending the sittings of Parliament or of a Select Committee of Parliament, or a properly notified meeting of a party caucus or of a committee of a party caucus (being a committee with a quorum of not less than 3), or for the purpose of attending in Wellington any ceremony or official function or national or international conference as a representative of Parliament or with the authority of the House of Representatives, on an occasion when he is entitled to the day allowance for the attendance:

Provided that the night allowance shall not be payable under this paragraph in respect of any night on which accommodation is included in the fare paid on behalf of the member out of money appropriated by Parliament; or

- (b) For the purpose of attending the sittings of Parliament or of a Select Committee of Parliament, or a properly notified meeting of a party caucus or of a committee of a party caucus (being a committee with a quorum of not less than 3), or for the purpose of attending in Wellington any ceremony or official function or national or international conference as a representative of Parliament or with the authority of the House of Representatives, on an occasion when he is entitled to the day allowance for the attendance; or
- (c) In the case of any Whip, by reason of his attendance in Wellington on parliamentary business.

**13. Allowance payable to member travelling within New Zealand on public business**—A member of Parliament who, at the request of a Minister of the Crown, travels within New Zealand on public service, shall (except where the travel is undertaken by the member wholly within the member's own electorate) be entitled to be paid—

- (a) For every day on which the member is so travelling, an allowance at the rate prescribed by clause 3 of this Schedule; and
- (b) Where the member travels by public transport, an allowance equal to the amount of any fares paid by the member; and

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- (c) Where the member uses any other mode of transport that is reasonable in the circumstances, an allowance equal to the actual and reasonable cost to the member of using that mode of transport (which allowance shall not exceed, in respect of the use by the member of a private motorcar, the allowance payable in accordance with the scale applicable in the Public Service to the use by employees of the Public Service of private motorcars on official business).

**14. Setting-up allowance**—There shall be paid to each member of the House of Representatives who is elected for the first time, to provide for the cost of establishing an office and obtaining the equipment necessary to enable him to carry out his duties, a setting-up allowance of \$250.

Dated at Wellington this 2nd day of May 1980.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman

W. L. BIRNIE, Member

E. A. MISSEN, Member

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the determination, but is intended to indicate its general effect.*

This determination, which is deemed to have come into force on 10 November 1979 and which consolidates the existing determinations relating to Parliamentary salaries and allowances, increases Parliamentary salaries by 10.4 percent. The increase matches an increase that has been granted to State servants.

This determination does not effect any change in Parliamentary allowances.

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Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936 and section 16 (2) of the Higher Salaries Commission Act 1977.

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