

Variation of the decision of the Electoral Commission on the allocation of time and money to eligible political parties for the broadcasting of election programmes for the 2011 General Election

Three of the parties that were given an allocation in the Electoral Commission's decision of 31 May 2011 have not applied to be registered as political parties in accordance with Part 4 of the Electoral Act 1993. As a result the following parties will not be eligible to submit a party list and are not eligible to receive any time or money for the broadcast allocation of election programmes:

- New Zealand Sovereignty Party
- The Pirate Party of New Zealand
- World Peace Party.

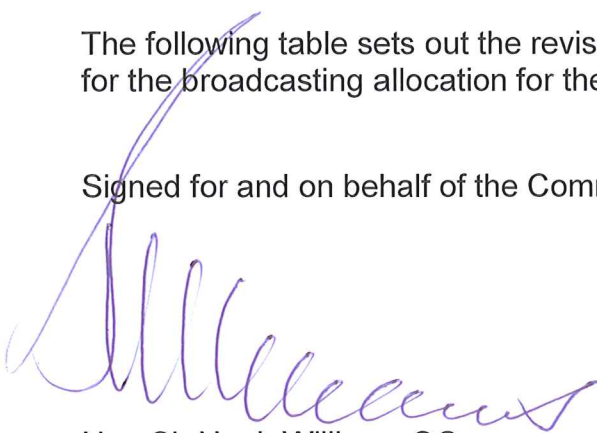
The Electoral Commission has decided not to re-allocate the total of three minutes of opening address time allocated to these parties because the broadcast of opening addresses is imminent. The order of opening and closing addresses is unchanged for those parties that are eligible to use the time allocated to them in the decision dated 31 May 2011.

The Coalition of New Zealanders has registered as a political party with the Electoral Commission under the name of 'Conservative Party of New Zealand', abbreviation 'Conservative Party' and is eligible to use the allocation made to the Coalition of New Zealanders as shown in the decision dated 31 May 2011.

The Electoral Commission will consider any variation of time for closing addresses and any reallocation of money to eligible political parties after noon on 1 November 2011, which is the deadline for the submission of party lists for the 2011 General Election.

The following table sets out the revised allocations to those parties that are eligible for the broadcasting allocation for the 2011 General Election:

Signed for and on behalf of the Commission



Hon Sir Hugh Williams QC
Chair



Robert Peden
Chief Electoral Officer

Dated: 18/10/2011

Broadcasting allocation decision for the 2011 General Election

Parties	Monetary allocation (inclusive of GST)	Time allocation of opening addresses (in minutes) ¹	Time allocation for closing addresses (in minutes)
New Zealand Labour Party (Labour Party)	\$1,150,000	20	16
The New Zealand National Party (National Party)	\$1,150,000	20	16
The Green Party of Aotearoa/New Zealand (Green Party)	\$300,000	8	7
ACT New Zealand (ACT Party)	\$160,000	5	4
Māori Party	\$160,000	5	4
New Zealand First (NZ First)	\$100,000	3	2.5
United Future New Zealand (United Future)	\$100,000	3	2.5
The Alliance (Alliance)	\$20,000	1	1
Aotearoa Legalise Cannabis Party (ALCP)	\$20,000	1	1
Conservative Party of New Zealand (Conservative Party) (formerly Coalition of New Zealanders)	\$20,000	1	1
The Kiwi Party (Kiwi Party)	\$20,000	1	1
Libertarianz	\$20,000	1	1
Radio New Zealand (RNZ) ²	\$3,250		
Total allocated	\$3,223,250	69	57
Total available	\$3,283,250	72	60

¹ The order for opening and closing addresses appears in paragraphs 53 and 54 of the decision dated 31 May 2011.

² Allocated to RNZ in accordance with section 77A(5).