

## **Final variation to 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**

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The New Zealand Sovereignty Party, the Pirate Party of New Zealand and the World Peace Party were given an allocation in the broadcasting allocation decision of 31 May 2011 but did not apply to be registered and were not eligible to receive any broadcast allocation.

The Electoral Commission ('the Commission') decided on 18 October 2011 not to re-allocate the total of three minutes of time for opening addresses previously allocated to these parties as the broadcast of opening addresses was imminent.

The Kiwi Party failed to submit a party list by noon on 1 November 2011, the deadline for submission of a party list.

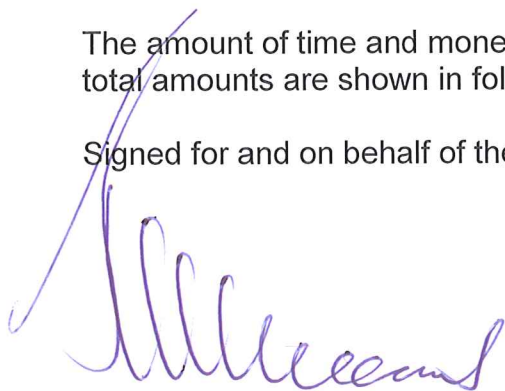
The Commission has on 3 November 2011 re-allocated four minutes for closing addresses and \$80,000 (inclusive of GST), representing the time and money previously allocated to the Kiwi Party, the New Zealand Sovereignty Party, the Pirate Party of New Zealand and the World Peace Party.

The Commission has determined the re-allocation of time and money between the eligible parties on the following basis:

1. The amount of money allocated to the parties is to be in the same proportion as the money allocated to the categories of parties set out in the 31 May 2011 decision.
2. It is not considered practicable to re-allocate the time available for closing addresses between the parties in the same proportion as set out in the 31 May 2011 decision. The Commission has therefore decided to re-allocate the four minutes equally between the eight parties that received the least amount of time in the 31 May 2011 decision.

The amount of time and money re-allocated to the eligible parties, including the final total amounts are shown in following table.

Signed for and on behalf of the Commission



Hon Sir Hugh Williams QC  
Chair



Robert Peden  
Chief Electoral Officer



Jane Huria  
Board member

Dated: 4 November 2011

## Final variation to the broadcasting allocation decision for the 2011 General Election

Parties	31 May 2011 monetary allocation (inclusive of GST)	Re-allocation of money (inclusive of GST)	Total final monetary allocation (inclusive of GST)	31 May 2011 time allocation for closing addresses (in minutes)	Re-allocation of time for closing addresses (in minutes)	Total final time for closing addresses (in minutes)
New Zealand Labour Party (Labour Party)	\$1,150,000	\$29,600	\$1,179,600	16		16
The New Zealand National Party (National Party)	\$1,150,000	\$29,600	\$1,179,600	16		16
The Green Party of Aotearoa/ New Zealand (Green Party)	\$300,000	\$7,200	\$307,200	7		7
ACT New Zealand (ACT Party)	\$160,000	\$3,200	\$163,200	4	0.5	4.5
Māori Party	\$160,000	\$3,200	\$163,200	4	0.5	4.5
New Zealand First (NZ First)	\$100,000	\$2,000	\$102,000	2.5	0.5	3
United Future New Zealand (United Future)	\$100,000	\$2,000	\$102,000	2.5	0.5	3
The Alliance (Alliance)	\$20,000	\$800	\$20,800	1	0.5	1.5
Aotearoa Legalise Cannabis Party (ALCP)	\$20,000	\$800	\$20,800	1	0.5	1.5
Conservative Party of New Zealand (formerly Coalition of New Zealanders)	\$20,000	\$800	\$20,800	1	0.5	1.5
Libertarianz	\$20,000	\$800	\$20,800	1	0.5	1.5
Radio New Zealand (RNZ) <sup>1</sup>	\$3,250		\$3,250			
Total allocated	\$3,203,250	\$80,000	\$3,283,250	56	4	60
Total available	\$3,283,250	\$80,000	\$3,283,250	60	4	60

<sup>1</sup> Allocated to RNZ in accordance with section 77A(5) of the Broadcasting Act 1989.