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DETERMINATION OF THE SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES TRIBUNAL

(7th APRIL, 1977)

Mr. K. J. Townsing, C.M.G., I.S.O. CHAIRMAN
Mr. P. R. Adams, Q.C. MEMBER

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DETERMINATION
OF THE
SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES TRIBUNAL
(7th APRIL, 1977)

SALARIES

1. Since our first Determination of 8th August, 1975 we have granted to salary earners within our jurisdiction, increases in salaries in accordance with decisions of the Australian Conciliation and Arbitration Commission in National Wage Cases. We see no reason to depart from this practice on the occasion of the March 1977 Judgment of the Commission and accordingly, the rate per annum of basic salary of each Member of Parliament and the rates per annum of salaries of Stipendiary Magistrates, Officers of the Public Service holding offices included in the Special Division of the Public Service and the persons holding prescribed offices resulting from our Determination of 26th November 1976, are to be increased by \$297 on and from 1st April, 1977.

ELECTORATE ALLOWANCES—MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

2. A major review of electorate allowances was carried out in January-February 1976 and as a result, new rates were prescribed with effect from 1st March, 1976. These allowances which are for the purpose of meeting expenses reasonably and properly incurred by members in the performance of their parliamentary duties, have been eroded by the general increase in costs since they were last determined and for this reason we have decided to increase them with effect on and from 1st April, 1977.

EXPENSE ALLOWANCES FOR MINISTERS AND OFFICERS OF PARLIAMENT

3. As expense allowances have not been varied since August 1975 we have reviewed them in the light of increased costs since that date and as a result, have decided that they be increased on and from 1st April, 1977.

TRAVELLING ALLOWANCES FOR MINISTERS AND CERTAIN OTHER MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

4. Daily rates of travelling allowances payable to Ministers and certain other Members of Parliament when travelling within Australia on official duty, have remained unchanged since June 1974. We have decided to increase these rates on and from 1st April, 1977 having regard to the general increase in costs since June 1974.

DETERMINATION

5. Our attached Determination which is in two Schedules comes into operation on 1st April, 1977 and accordingly, our Determinations of 27th February, 1976, 11th June, 1976, 27th August, 1976, 22nd October, 1976 and 26th November, 1976 are revoked on and from that date.

Dated at Perth this 7th day of April 1977.

K. J. TOWNSING,
Chairman.

P. R. ADAMS, Q.C.,
Member.

Salaries and Allowances Tribunal.

DETERMINATION—FIRST SCHEDULE

Pursuant to the provisions of the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal Act 1975, the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal determines the remuneration to be paid to Ministers of the Crown, the Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet, Officers and Members of the Parliament, as hereunder, with effect on and from 1st April, 1977.

PART I—REMUNERATION OF MEMBERS GENERALLY

Section 1—Basic Salary

There is payable to each member an annual salary calculated at the rate of \$19 908 per annum.

Section 2—Electorate Allowances

In addition to the basic salary payable to him, there is payable to a member, in respect of the expenses of discharging his duties, an electorate allowance at the appropriate rate specified in the second column of the table set forth hereunder opposite the name of the Electoral Province or Electoral District that the member represents in the House of which he is a member, namely:—

ELECTORAL PROVINCES

<i>First Column</i> Name of Electoral Province	<i>Second Column</i> Rate of Electorate Allowance Per Annum
	\$
North	10 500
Lower North	10 000
Central	8 850
South	8 850
South-East	8 850
Upper West	8 850
Lower Central	8 500
South-West	8 150
Lower West	7 000
West	7 000
East Metropolitan	5 500
Metropolitan	5 500
North Metropolitan	5 500
North-East Metropolitan	5 500
South Metropolitan	5 500
South-East Metropolitan	5 500

ELECTORAL DISTRICTS

<i>First Column</i>					<i>Second Column</i>
Name of Electoral District					Rate of Electorate Allowance Per Annum
					\$
Kimberley	....	....	....	....	9 800
Pilbara	....	....	....	....	9 800
Gascoyne	....	....	....	....	9 300
Murchison-Eyre	....	....	....	....	9 300
Greenough	....	....	....	....	8 150
Mt. Marshall	....	....	....	....	8 150
Roe	....	....	....	....	8 150
Yilgarn-Dundas	....	....	....	....	8 150
Katanning	....	....	....	....	7 800
Merredin	....	....	....	....	7 800
Moore	....	....	....	....	7 800
Narrogin	....	....	....	....	7 800
Stirling	....	....	....	....	7 800
Warren	....	....	....	....	7 800
Collie	....	....	....	....	7 450
Kalgoorlie	....	....	....	....	7 450
Vasse	....	....	....	....	7 450
Wellington	....	....	....	....	7 450
Albany	....	....	....	....	7 100
Bunbury	....	....	....	....	7 100
Geraldton	....	....	....	....	7 100
Avon	....	....	....	....	6 300
Mundaring	....	....	....	....	6 300
Murray	....	....	....	....	6 300
Dale	....	....	....	....	5 500
Darling Range	....	....	....	....	5 500
Kalamunda	....	....	....	....	5 500
Rockingham	....	....	....	....	5 500
Ascot	....	....	....	....	4 800
Balcatta	....	....	....	....	4 800
Canning	....	....	....	....	4 800
Clontarf	....	....	....	....	4 800
Cockburn	....	....	....	....	4 800
Cottesloe	....	....	....	....	4 800
Dianella	....	....	....	....	4 800
East Melville	....	....	....	....	4 800
Floreat	....	....	....	....	4 800
Fremantle	....	....	....	....	4 800
Gosnells	....	....	....	....	4 800
Karrinyup	....	....	....	....	4 800
Maylands	....	....	....	....	4 800
Melville	....	....	....	....	4 800
Morley	....	....	....	....	4 800
Mount Hawthorn	....	....	....	....	4 800
Mount Lawley	....	....	....	....	4 800
Murdoch	....	....	....	....	4 800
Nedlands	....	....	....	....	4 800
Perth	....	....	....	....	4 800
Scarborough	....	....	....	....	4 800
South Perth	....	....	....	....	4 800
Subiaco	....	....	....	....	4 800
Swan	....	....	....	....	4 800
Victoria Park	....	....	....	....	4 800
Welshpool	....	....	....	....	4 800
Whitford	....	....	....	....	4 800

PART II—REMUNERATION OF MINISTERS OF THE CROWN

1. In addition to the remuneration payable by virtue of Part I of this Determination, there is payable—

- (a) to the person for the time being holding the office of Premier in conjunction with a ministerial office, a salary calculated at the rate of \$22 304 per annum.
- (b) to the person for the time being holding the office of Deputy Premier in conjunction with a ministerial office, a salary calculated at the rate of \$16 972 per annum.
- (c) to the person for the time being holding the office of Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council in conjunction with a ministerial office, a salary calculated at the rate of \$15 030 per annum.
- (d) to each person, not being a person referred to in subparagraph (a), (b) or (c) of this paragraph, for the time being holding a ministerial office, a salary calculated at the rate of \$12 606 per annum.

2. If a person holds more ministerial offices than one, he shall be paid a salary under this Part in respect of one only of those offices.

PART III—REMUNERATION OF OFFICERS OF PARLIAMENT AND THE PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY OF THE CABINET

1. In addition to the remuneration payable to him by virtue of Part I of this Determination there is payable to the person for the time being holding the office specified in the first column of the table hereunder a salary of the amount and at the rate specified in the second column thereof, namely:—

<i>First Column</i> Office	<i>Second Column</i> Salary Per Annum
	\$
President of the Legislative Council	5 236
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly	5 236
Chairman of Committees in either House	2 620
Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council	3 100
Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly	7 761
Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly	3 100
Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet	3 100
Government Whip in the Legislative Council	1 552
Opposition Whip in the Legislative Council	1 552
Government Whip in the Legislative Assembly	2 231
Opposition Whip in the Legislative Assembly	2 231
The person who not being a Minister of the Crown is the Leader of a party in the Legislative Assembly of at least seven members other than a party whose leader is the Premier or the Leader or Deputy Leader of the Opposition	1 163
The person who is the Whip in the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly of a party of at least seven members other than a party whose leader is the Premier or the Leader of the Opposition, and the first mentioned party in the case of the Whip in the Legislative Council has seven members or more in that House or in the case of the Whip in the Legislative Assembly has seven or more members in that House	389

2. Where the Legislative Assembly is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time, a person who is the Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet or is the holder of the office of:—

- (a) Chairman of Committees in that House;
- (b) Leader of the Opposition in that House;
- (c) Deputy Leader of the Opposition in that House;
- (d) Government Whip in that House;
- (e) Opposition Whip in that House; or
- (f) Third Party Whip in that House

is entitled, notwithstanding the dissolution or expiry of that House, to receive the salary payable to him by virtue of paragraph 1 of this Part and the allowance, if any, payable to him under Part IV of this Determination until the date fixed for the taking of the poll next following the dissolution or expiry of that House.

Provided that the person holding the office of:—

- (a) Leader of the Opposition in that House; or
- (b) Deputy Leader of the Opposition in that House,

shall if re-elected at such poll, continue to receive the salary payable to him by virtue of paragraph 1 of this Part and the allowance, if any, payable to him under Part IV of this Determination until such time as the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly is notified in writing that a change has taken place in the holder of such office; or, in the event of a change of Government as a result of such poll, until such time as the new Government is commissioned to take office.

On the resignation of the Government, as a result of such poll—

- (a) The Leader of that Government; and
- (b) the Deputy Leader of that Government; or
- (c) in the case where that Government was made up of two or more parties the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Party in that Government with the greater number of members,

shall in each case, if himself re-elected at such poll, commence to receive and continue to receive the salary payable to the Leader of the Opposition or the Deputy Leader of the Opposition, as the case may be, under paragraph 1 of this Part and the allowance, if any, payable to him under Part IV, until such time as the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly is notified in writing that a change has taken place in the holder of such office.

PART IV—EXPENSE ALLOWANCES

In addition to the remuneration payable under Parts I, II and III of this Determination there shall be payable to the holders for the time being of the following offices the following allowances, namely:—

Office occupied by the Member for Parliament	Allowance Per Annum
	\$
Premier	3 000
Deputy Premier	1 500
Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council	1 500
Ministers of the Crown (other than the Premier, Deputy Premier, and the Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council)	1 000
Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly	1 000
President of the Legislative Council	750
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly	750
Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council	500
Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly	500
Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet	500
The person who not being a Minister of the Crown is the leader in the Legislative Assembly of a party of at least seven members other than a party whose respective leaders are the Premier and the Leader or Deputy Leader of the Opposition	500
Chairman of Committees in the Legislative Council	375
Chairman of Committees in the Legislative Assembly	375

PART V—TRAVELLING ALLOWANCES

1. There shall be payable to the Premier, a Minister of the Crown, an Honorary Minister and the Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet, when travelling within Australia on official duty, but not when travelling to, from and within his own electorate, who actually incurs expense in securing overnight accommodation at a place situated outside a radius of 50 kilometres from Perth, by way of reimbursement a travelling allowance at the following rate:—

- Premier \$60 per day
- Other Minister, Honorary Minister and Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet \$48 per day

Provided that in lieu of the above allowances:—

- (a) When travelling in a ministerial railway coach, all costs reasonably and properly incurred shall be reimbursed.
- (b) When travelling by train (not in a ministerial coach) or by ship, the allowance shall be eighteen dollars (\$18) per day.

Provided further that where the costs of such travelling reasonably and properly incurred exceed the above allowances the actual costs shall be reimbursed.

2. The Deputy Premier when travelling within Australia on duty representing the Premier but not when travelling to, from and within his own electorate, shall be entitled to the same allowances as the Premier.

3. The Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, and the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly, when (in either case) travelling within Australia on duty as such Leader but not when travelling to, from and within their own electorates, shall be entitled to the same allowances as a Minister; and so also shall the Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly when travelling within Australia on duty whether for and in the place of the Leader, or as such Deputy Leader only.

4. A member (not being a Minister), when travelling on duty within Australia as an official representative of the Government or the Parliament, or as an official member of a Government or Parliamentary committee or delegation including a member of a Select Committee of a House or a Joint Select Committee of Houses but not when travelling to, from and within his own electorate, shall be entitled to the same allowances as a Minister.

PART VI—POSTAGE ALLOWANCES

There shall be payable to Members of Parliament and to the undermentioned Officers of Parliament (except Ministers and any others whose mail is sent free of charge to them in a manner similar to the mail of Ministers) a postage allowance as follows:—

Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly	\$780 per annum in addition to his allowance as a Member of Parliament.
Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council	\$630 per annum in addition to his allowance as a Member of Parliament.
Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly	\$630 per annum in addition to his allowance as a Member of Parliament.
The person who not being a Minister of the Crown is the Leader of a party in the Legislative Assembly of at least seven members, other than a party whose Leader is the Premier or the Leader or Deputy Leader of the Opposition	\$330 per annum in addition to his allowance as a Member of Parliament.
Member of Parliament whose electoral province or district is in the Metropolitan area	\$470 per annum.
Other Members of Parliament	\$690 per annum.

Provided that each of the above allowances is to be adjusted proportionately in accordance with any percentage variation after 1st April, 1977 in the basic minimum first class letter rate as fixed by the Australian Postal Commission, rounded, however to the nearest upper \$10 per annum; such increase to operate from the date on which such increased postal rates commence.

PART VII—TELEPHONE RENTAL AND CALLS

1. Every Member of Parliament (other than Ministers, the President of the Legislative Council, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly and the Chairmen of Committees, and any others whose private telephone rentals and calls are paid in full from public funds) shall be entitled to receive, as an allowance or emolument, payment to him by way of reimbursement, of the full rental and 75 per centum of all charges for calls incurred by him in respect of a telephone in his private residence, or, where he reasonably maintains more than one residence by reason of his membership of Parliament, in each such residence.

2. Every Member of Parliament provided with an electorate office shall be entitled to receive, as an allowance or emolument, payment to him by way of reimbursement, of the full rental and 75 per centum of all charges for calls incurred by him in respect of a telephone in his electorate office and an extension of the same telephone to his private residence.

3. Where a Member of Parliament at his expense, arranges the installation of a second telephone in his electorate office and pays the rental thereof, he shall be entitled to receive, as an allowance or emolument, payment to him by way of reimbursement, of 75 per centum of all charges for calls incurred by him in respect of that second telephone.

4. Insofar as a Member of Parliament pays or is charged with any telephone calls made by him from Parliament House, he shall be entitled to receive, as an allowance or emolument, payment to him by way of reimbursement of all such charges.

5. In this Part, "calls" include all charges (other than international calls or telegrams) as usually included on Postal Commission accounts rendered to subscribers.

PART VIII—PAYMENT OF REMUNERATION

1. The remuneration payable to a member under Parts I, VI and VII of this Determination shall be calculated from the day on which the member is elected as a member, and except as provided by paragraph 2 of this Part, cease to be payable as from the day on which he ceases to be a member.

2. Where a member of the Legislative Assembly ceases to be a member thereof by reason of the dissolution of that House or the expiry thereof by effluxion of time, he is notwithstanding his cessation of membership, entitled to continue to receive the remuneration provided in Parts I, VI and VII of this Determination until the day fixed for the taking of the poll next following the dissolution or expiry of that House.

3. Remuneration payable under Parts I, II, III, IV and VI of this Determination shall be paid by equal instalments on the last day of each month.

Dated at Perth this 7th day of April, 1977.

K. J. TOWNSING,
Chairman.

P. R. ADAMS, Q.C.,
Member.

Salaries and Allowances Tribunal.

 DETERMINATION—SECOND SCHEDULE

Pursuant to the provisions of the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal Act 1975, the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal determines the remuneration to be paid to Stipendiary Magistrates, Officers of the Public Service holding offices included in the Special Division of the Public Service and the persons holding Prescribed Offices, as hereunder, with effect on and from 1st April, 1977.

PART I—REMUNERATION OF STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATES

	Salary Per Annum \$	Allowances Per Annum \$
Stipendiary Magistrate—		
First year	23 478	300
Second year	24 193	300
Third year	24 909	300
Fourth year	25 624	300
Fifth year	26 340	300
Senior Stipendiary Magistrate	27 055	300
Deputy Chief Stipendiary Magistrate	27 770	300
Chief Stipendiary Magistrate	28 997	500

PART II—REMUNERATION OF OFFICERS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE
IN THE SPECIAL DIVISION OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE

Rate Per Annum of Salary

	\$
Chief Executive Officer, Road Traffic Authority	30 272
Commissioner of State Taxation	30 272
Deputy Under Treasurer	30 272
Director of Administration, Medical and Health Services	30 272
General Manager, Metropolitan Water Board	30 272
General Manager, State Government Insurance Office	30 272
General Manager, State Housing Commission	30 272
Surveyor General, Department of Lands and Surveys	30 272
Under Secretary for Labour and Industry	30 272
Under Secretary for Lands	30 272
Under Secretary for Law	30 272
Under Secretary for Mines	30 272
Under Secretary for Works	30 272
Under Secretary, Premier's Department	30 272
Chief Engineer, Metropolitan Water Board	31 249
Town Planning Commissioner	31 249
Crown Solicitor, Crown Law Department	32 225
Director, Department for Community Welfare	32 225
Parliamentary Counsel, Crown Law Department	33 202
Principal Architect, Public Works Department	33 202
Commissioner of Public Health and Medical Services	34 178
Co-ordinator of Industrial Development	34 178
Director General, Education Department	34 178
Director, Mental Health Services	34 178
Director of Agriculture	34 178
Director of Engineering, Public Works Department	34 178
Under Treasurer	34 178

PART III—REMUNERATION OF PERSONS HOLDING PRESCRIBED OFFICES

Rate Per Annum of Salary

	\$
Administrator, Royal Perth Hospital	30 272
Chairman, Rural Housing Authority	30 272
Chief Executive Officer, W.A. Meat Commission	30 373
Deputy Chairman, Public Service Board	30 272
Commissioner, Public Service Board	30 272
Assistant Commissioners (2 positions) Main Roads Department	30 272
Assistant Commissioners (2 positions) State Energy Commission	30 272
General Manager, Fremantle Port Authority	30 272
General Manager, Totalisator Agency Board	30 272
General Manager, W.A. Coastal Shipping Commission	30 272
Public Service Arbitrator	30 272
State Librarian, Library Board of W.A.	30 272
Director of Environmental Protection	31 249
Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations	31 249
Commissioner of Police	32 225
Auditor General	33 202
Chief Industrial Commissioner, W.A. Industrial Commission	33 202
Chairman, Metropolitan (Perth) Passenger Transport Trust	34 178
Chairman, Public Service Board	34 178
Chairman of Commissioners, Rural and Industries Bank	34 178
Commissioner of Main Roads	34 178
Commissioner, State Energy Commission	34 178
Conservator of Forests	34 178
Director General of Transport	34 178
Commissioner of Railways	36 800

Dated at Perth this 7th day of April, 1977.

K. J. TOWNSING,
Chairman.

P. R. ADAMS, Q.C.,
Member.

Salaries and Allowances Tribunal.