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**DETERMINATION 2 of 2017 - DETERMINATION ON ENTITLEMENTS OF A MEMBER OF
PARLIAMENT (MP)**

This Determination sets out various entitlements and related matters for members of parliament. It comprises of:

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Position	ALLOWANCE STRUCTURE		
	Band	Minimum	Maximum
Member of Parliament	MP 1	2,324,100	2,889,200

PART 1 – GENERAL

1.1 Authority:

1.1.1 This Determination is issued in accordance with section 13(1) of the Government Remuneration Tribunal Act of 1998 (CAP 250).

1.1.2 The Tribunal may issue guidance notes from time to time to assist the Parliament Management Board and the Parliamentary Privilege, Integrity, Ethics and Parliamentary Rights Committee in the administration of this Determination.

1.2 Application:

1.2.1 This Determination applies exclusively to Members of Parliament.

1.3 Effective Date:

1.3.1 This Determination shall take effect on and from 1st January 2018.

1.3.2 As and when this Determination takes effect, it shall supersede and revoke any determination and decision relating to entitlements of Members of Parliament except that those entitlements not stated on this Determination shall continue until such time the Tribunal makes a determination on them.

PART 2 – MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT RESPONSIBILITY ALLOWANCE

2.1 A Member of Parliament is entitled to an annual Member of Parliament Responsibility allowance as set out on the structure hereunder:

ALLOWANCE STRUCTURE		Grade		
		Minimum	Midpoint	Maximum
Position	Band	1	2	3
Member of Parliament	MP 1	5,324,100	5,650,500	5,989,600

2.2 Adjustment to MP Responsibility allowance shall be made by the Parliamentary Privilege, Integrity, Ethics, and Parliamentary Rights Committee and within the ability of the Government to pay.

PART 3 – CONSTITUENCY ALLOWANCE

3.1 A Member of Parliament should be paid a Constituency allowance of up to but not more than Vt. 3,000,000 per annum.

3.2 Subject to 3.1 of this Determination, adjustment to the Constituency allowance shall be made by the Parliamentary Privilege, Integrity, Ethics, and Parliamentary Rights Committee and within the ability of the Government to pay.

PART 4 – REPRESENTATION ALLOWANCE

- 4.1 The Member of Parliament Responsibility Allowance and the Constituency allowance shall be settled as Representation Allowance as required under section 3 of the Parliament (Members' Expenses and Allowances) Act [CAP 109].
- 4.2 The portion of constituency allowance should be excluded from the calculation of the Provident fund contributions for a Member of Parliament.
- 4.3 The portion of constituency allowance should be excluded from the calculation of Gratuity for a Member of Parliament.

PART 5 – TOURING ALLOWANCE

A Member of Parliament is entitled to a touring allowance determined hereunder.

CONSTITUENCY	ANNUAL ALLOWANCE
ZONE A	
Malekula, Pentecost, Santo, & Tanna.	1,605,000
ZONE B	
Ambae, Ambrym, Efate, Epi, & Port Vila.	1,500,000
ZONE C	
Banks, Luganville, Maewo, & Southern Outer Islands.	1,400,000
ZONE D	
Malo/Aore, Tongoa, & Torres.	1,300,000
ZONE E	
Paama, & Shepherds.	1,200,000

PART 6 – ACCOMODATON ENTITLEMENT

- 6.1 A Member of Parliament, when attending a session of Parliament or a meeting of a Committee of Parliament, is entitled to a reasonably affordable rented apartment.
- 6.2 In the event where the Parliament Management Board is unable to accommodate the Member of Parliament, the MP should be paid an allowance of Vt. 7,500 per day.
- 6.3 The Speaker of Parliament, the Prime Minister, the Deputy Prime Minister, a Government Minister and the Leader of Opposition are not entitled to the accommodation entitlement.

PART 7 – RELATED MATTERS

- 7.1 The manner in which the entitlements will be paid is the responsibility of the Government in consultation with the Parliament Management Board.
- 7.2 **Take home pay entitlements:** On and from 1st January 2018, a Member of Parliament will not be entitled to the following Take home pay entitlements: Child, Family or

Spouse allowance, Cost of Living allowance, Entertainment allowance, Fuel allowance, Housing allowance, and Telephone allowance.

Signed this 17th day of November, 2017.



Marie Antoinette Nirua
Chairperson



Chris Kernot
Member



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Member

