



REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

Explanatory Statement: Determination 2008/02 Members of Parliament – Travelling Allowance

1. The Remuneration Tribunal has inquired into and determined the remuneration and significantly related matters for office holders, as it is empowered to do by the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973*.
2. In making this determination the Tribunal has informed itself through consultation in accordance with established practice.
3. Any retrospective application of this determination is in accordance with subsection 12(2) of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003* as it does not affect the rights of a person (other than the Commonwealth or an authority of the Commonwealth) to that person's disadvantage, nor does it impose any liability on such a person.

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4. Clause 1.1 specifies the Principal Determination (Number 15 of 2007) for the purposes of Part 1 of the Determination.
5. Clause 1.2 inserts a clause in the Principal Determination providing additional access to travelling allowance for the Chief Whips of the Government and Opposition in the House of Representatives, when their duties in those positions cause them to travel away from their home base and away from Canberra. A maximum entitlement of ten nights up to 30 June 2008 is provided; further entitlement, if any, will be the subject of later determination.
6. Clause 1.3 specifies the date of effect of clause 1.2 as the date on which the Determination is made.

Authority: Sub-sections 7(1), 7(2) and 7(4) of
the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973*.