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PHIL HEATLEY

The Housing Minister has upgraded to accommodation that costs taxpayers about \$946 a week (\$49,213 a year). Mr Heatley is renting out the \$360,000 Wellington apartment he owns on The Terrace to a fellow National MP, Louise Upston. She is paying him \$355 a week (\$18,460 a year) out of her MP's accommodation allowance.

Mr Heatley said they both got independent rental valuations and provided Parliamentary Services with an official assessment. He said the rent was less than that of 40 of the 96 MPs who claimed the accommodation allowance.



WAYNE MAPP

The Defence Minister has upgraded to accommodation costing about \$726 a week (\$37,755 a year). Dr Mapp is renting out the \$285,000 Wellington apartment he owns in the same building on The Terrace to fellow National MP Kanwaljit Singh Bakshi for about \$375 a week (\$19,500 a year). He said this rent was independently appraised.

Mr Bakshi is paying this out of MPs' \$24,000 annual accommodation allowance. Dr Mapp said the apartment was legally owned by Superannuation scheme, although property records show it is owned by him and his wife.



JUDITH COLLINS

The Police Minister has upgraded to accommodation that costs taxpayers about \$886 a week (\$46,072 a year). Ms Collins is renting out her Wellington apartment, most likely to a fellow National MP who is paying with a taxpayers allowance.

She refused to answer questions about this yesterday, or say how much taxpayers' money she was getting in rent. The apartment is likely to be in a trust as it is not listed under Ms Collins' name or on MPs' register of pecuniary interests. Ms Collins had earlier refused to respond to questions about whether she had a Wellington property and only answered when pressed.



Many MPs rent apartments in Kelvin Chambers

ANNE TOLLEY

Mrs Tolley has upgraded to accommodation that costs taxpayers about \$847 a week (\$44,090 a year).

She has rented out the \$295,000 apartment she owns and refused to answer questions about whether this was to a fellow National MP. It is in the same building on the Terrace as Mr Heatley and Dr Mapp.



MURRAY McCULLY

The Foreign Affairs Minister has moved to accommodation that costs taxpayers about \$494 a week (\$25,729 a year).

Mr McCully owns an apartment he is renting out, but not to a National MP. The apartment is owned by a trust.



TIM GROSER

The Trade Minister is in accommodation that costs taxpayers about \$343 a week (\$17,873 a year).

He has a \$540,000 apartment in central Wellington he has previously lived in "off and on". It is being rented out but not to a National MP.



TARIANA TURIA

The Community and Voluntary Sector Minister is in a Government-owned ministerial home. She also owns a \$520,000 property in

Wellington suburb Broadmeadows, now lived in by her daughter and family. A spokeswoman for Mrs Turia said there is not enough room there for her and her husband and the two mokopuna she cares for.

