

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO ELECTORAL AND POLITICAL PARTY FUNDING

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Dear Sirs, The practice of having political parties funded from sources who have a vested interest in actions the Government might take must cease. It is so open to abuse that it cannot be tolerated. In particular developers of housing, office and shopping precincts should not be permitted to offer donations to political parties or organisations associated with political parties. Political organisations must have a publicly funded and capped funding source. Advertisements in the period leading up to elections should be banned, starting before the announcement of the actual election date. Advertisements in this period should be authorised by an independent electoral commission.

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