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Office of the Domain Name Commissioner  
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Attention: Debbie Monahan

Dear Debbie

**Re Application for a new second-level domain - .parliament.nz**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this application.

As you are aware, the Offices of Parliament currently use **parliament.govt.nz** as their base domain.

The Commission appreciates the application by the Offices of Parliament for the second-level domain name, **.parliament.nz**, in order to be seen as constitutionally different from the executive arm of Government.

While the Commission does not see this as a necessary move, given that it is unlikely that the public will appreciate the distinction, I have no objection to the proposal.

Yours sincerely

Mark Prebble  
State Services Commissioner