



# Candidate Return



For election held on 2 July 2016

**Subsections 304(2) and 309(2) of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918 (the Electoral Act) require candidates or candidate agents to furnish a return within 15 weeks after the polling day in the election.**

**The due date for lodging this return is Monday 17 October 2016**

### Completing the Return:

- This return is for all Candidates in the 2016 Federal Election.
- This return is to be completed by the person notified to the AEC as the candidate agent or by the candidate themselves, if no agent was appointed.
- This return is to be completed with reference to the [Financial Disclosure Guide for Candidates and Senate Groups](#).
- Amounts should be reported on a GST inclusive basis.
- Under subsection 320(4) of the Electoral Act this return will be available for public inspection at [www.aec.gov.au](http://www.aec.gov.au) on Monday 19 December 2016.
- Any supporting documentation included with this return may be treated as part of a public disclosure and displayed on the AEC website.
- The information on this return is collected under sections 304 and 309 of the Electoral Act.

### Candidate Details

Candidate Name	RAJ, Maheshkumar		
Party Name (if none leave blank)			
Electorate Contested	Parramatta		

### Agent Details

Name	Maheshkumar RAJ		
Postal address	PO Box 9009		
	Suburb/town	HARRIS PARK	State NSW Postcode 2150
Telephone number	02 8897 4858	Fax number	
Email address	rajgocool81@gmail.com		

*I certify that the information contained in this return and its attachments is true and complete to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. Where I sign as an agent, I have made due and reasonable inquiries of the candidate on whose behalf I have consented to act as an agent for the purposes of Part XX of the Act. I understand that submitting an incomplete, false or misleading return is an offence under section 315 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918.*

Signature		Mahesh Kumar Raj	Date	09/01/2017
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### Enquiries and returns should be addressed to:

Funding and Disclosure  
Australian Electoral Commission  
Locked Bag 4007  
Canberra ACT 26011

Phone: 02 6271 4552  
Fax: 02 6293 7655  
Email: [fad@aec.gov.au](mailto:fad@aec.gov.au)

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Date received

Registration No **C /** WLYG1



**Part 1 – Donations received (subsection 304(2) of the Electoral Act)**

The disclosure period for reporting donations received starts from the candidate’s individual commencement date and finishes 30 days after polling day (02 July 2016).

To determine the relevant commencement date refer to the information below.

**Commencement date** for candidates who **have** contested previous Federal Elections:

Election	Polling Date	Commencement Date
Senate Election	21 August 2010	21 September 2010
General Election	7 September 2013	8 October 2013
Griffith by-election	8 February 2014	11 March 2014
WA Senate election	5 April 2014	6 May 2014
Canning by-election	19 September 2015	20 October 2015
North Sydney by-election	5 December 2015	5 January 2016

**Commencement date** for candidates who have **not** contested a previous Federal Election:

- Endorsed Candidate – from the date of endorsement/preselection by a political party
- Independent Candidate – from the date candidacy was announced or candidate nominated (whichever was the earlier)
- Candidate appointed to a casual senate vacancy – from the date of appointment to the Senate

**Part 1a: Total of donations received**

This is the total value of **all donations received**, both **above and below** the disclosure threshold during the disclosure period

\$999

**Part 1b: Total number of donors**

This is the **total number of donors** who made the donations included in the calculation of ‘total of donations received’ at Part 1a.

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**Part 1c: Details of donations received requiring disclosure**

Details of donations received during the disclosure period that were more than \$13,200.

Under section 304 of the Electoral Act, for each donation received that was more than the disclosure threshold, the following details must be disclosed:

- full name and address\* of the person or organisation from whom the donation was received
- date each donation was made
- value or amount of each donation.

Received from		Date of donation	Value of donation**
Name	Vijay Raj	01/06/2016	\$999
Postal address	7/104 Wigram Street		
Suburb/town	HARRIS PARK	State NSW	Postcode 2150

**Total** \$999

**\* Name and address details**

- If the donation was from an unincorporated association (other than a registered industrial organisation), the name of the association along with the name and address of each member of the executive committee are required.
- If the donation was from a trust or foundation, the name or description of the trust or foundation along with the names and addresses of the trustees are required.

\*\* In this form **donation** is a **gift** within the meaning of Division 4 – Disclosure of donations, in Part XX of the Electoral Act

## PART 2 – Electoral Expenditure (subsection 309(2) of the Electoral Act)

Electoral expenditure must be reported if the purchased services and/or materials relate to the election and are used during the election period (i.e. commences on the day of the issue of the writ (16 May 2016) and concludes at the close of polling (2 July 2016). The physical expenditure can be incurred outside this time period.

### NOTE:

All candidates must lodge a Candidate Return, which may be a 'nil' return if they have no electoral expenditure in relation to the election.

A **member of a Senate Group should not** complete this section of the Candidate Return. Any electoral expenditure must be included in a consolidated Senate Group Return.

**For each category of electoral expenditure (listed below), disclose the total amount incurred on goods and services provided during the election period, even if payment for those goods and services (for example, production of an advertisement) was made outside of the election period.**

1. Broadcasting electoral advertisements relating to the election (including production costs)	\$0
2. Publishing advertisements (including production costs)	\$0
3. Displaying electoral advertisements at a place of entertainment such as a cinema (including production costs)	\$0
4. Production of campaign material that is required by section 328, 328A or 328B of the Electoral Act**	\$9,364
5. Production and distribution of electoral matter that is addressed to particular persons or organisations	\$0
6. Carrying out opinion polling or other research relating to the election	\$0

### \*\* What do sections 328, 328A and 328B require?

Section 328 of the Act requires all electoral advertisements, handbills, pamphlets, posters, electoral video recordings or notices to include the name and address of the person who authorised the advertisement and, except in the case of newspapers and electoral video recordings, the name and place of business of the printer to appear at the end of the advertisement, handbill, pamphlet, poster or notice.

Section 328A of the Act imposes a requirement on persons who publish or cause, permit or authorise the publication of an electoral advertisement on the internet to include the name and address of the person who authorised the advertisement to appear at the end of the advertisement.

Section 328B imposes a requirement that the name and address of the person who authorised a how-to-vote card to appear at the top or bottom of each printed face of the how-to-vote card.

For more detailed information about these provisions please refer to the AEC's *Electoral Backgrounder on Electoral Advertising* at [www.aec.gov.au](http://www.aec.gov.au).