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Betio, Tarawa

30<sup>th</sup> Jun 2014

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your views on these  
proposals.

CEO  
30/06/14

**License fees payable to the Commission: Amateur Fees Recommendation**

In respond to your public notice appeared in Te Uekera on the 20<sup>th</sup> June regarding the *Classes of Radio Licenses and Fees Payable*, we have discussions over a CB radio to collect views regarding the above from active CB Radio colleagues for their inputs.

Accordingly, we have mutually come up with the following proposal that we would like to recommend for further considerations from your end. The sums appear therein are what most of us find it appropriate within our financial constraints. However, the final figures remain in your hands.

CLASS OF STN	Proposed App. Fee	Proposed Annual Fee	REASONS
Novice	\$20	\$15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The current annual fees are regarded high in a long term as the majority of ham operators do not earn much thus find hard to sustain;</li><li>• Ham Operators do not generate any income from this hobby;</li><li>• Many CB Radio Operators have longed to upgrade to Ham Operators legally but cannot afford the current fees (<i>been discussed among CB Club members over the past years</i>);</li><li>• As a hobby it gives a ham operator a chance to explore basic electronic stuff such as antenna designs and radio aspects. Reducing the fees will encourage younger generation into the hobby;</li><li>• As a group – bigger ham groups is a good learning, sharing and helping environment. Can be a good communication backup at emergency cases. Again, reducing fees may encourage growth/efficiency of the groups;</li><li>• An old technology that's been a hobby for decades. Easy to setup and cheap to maintain. Making it affordable to operate will encourage those with keen interest to enjoy;</li><li>• Affordable fees will positively alleviate the number of illegal operators in Kiribati.</li></ul>
Full Amateur	\$20	\$20	
Full Amateur Group 2 – 5	--	\$25	
Full Amateur Group 6 or more	--	\$50	

Hope the recommendation is of some assistance to incorporate our humble request in lowering such fees in the draft version of the Radio-communication Rules.

Best regards,

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