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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your Official Information Act request to the Department of Conservation, dated 20 November 2018. You requested the following information regarding Membership to Koru Club.

Your questions and our responses are listed below:

1. *The total amount spent on membership to the Koru Club. Please break this figure down into the amount spent on joining fees, and the amount spent on membership payments.*

For the 2017/18 financial year, the Department spent a total of \$13,205-00 on Koru Club membership. This amount is broken down into joining fees totalling \$1,860-00, and the balance of \$11,345-00 relates to membership payments.

2. *The total number of memberships paid for. In addition, is your agency a corporate member or does it purchase memberships at the individual rate?*

The Department paid for a total of 31 memberships. These memberships are corporate memberships.

3. *The term of the memberships (i.e. does your agency renew memberships on a one year, two year, five year, or alternative basis?)*

The term of the memberships is one year. There is no automatic right of renewal. At the time of requesting a Koru membership, the number of trips taken on Air New Zealand by the traveller for the previous year will be checked to verify the request for membership. The minimum number of trips is 20 return trips per year.

Yours sincerely

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