



16 January 2021

Alex Harris

Email fyi-request-14353-bf54f000@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Alex

Official information request – Membership of the New Zealand Initiative

I refer to your official information request dated 12 February 2021 as follows:

“I'd like to challenge your decision to withhold the costs of membership under s9(2)(i).”

The University has confirmed with the NZ Initiative regarding the disclosure of its membership costs. Based on this, the University has decided to release the following information.

1. The cost of membership paid for 2019 at the Public Sector rate was **\$22,500** plus GST.
2. The cost of membership paid for 2020 at the Public Sector rate was **\$22,500** plus GST.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

or free phone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jim Mercer'.

Jim Mercer
Chief Operating Officer