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Tēnā koe

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request dated 11 March 2019 for the following:

"Please provide all bank statements for the New Zealand Department of Conservations bank statements from 01/01/15 - 31/12/16

CSV (raw basic format) is fine to save uploading bank issued statements showing all income and expenditure and all the normal details that the bank has on these statements.

To clarify, when I say ALL or all bank statements and normal details I mean "every single one" "each and every one" and "actually all of them" as there seems to be some confusion in the supply of publicly owned data within your department and these statements are intended to clarify information".

On behalf of the Director-General of the Department of Conservation, please find below our response to your above request.

After carefully considering your request of 11 March 2019, we have decided to refuse your request under section 18(f) of the Act on the basis that it would require substantial collation to complete.

In doing so, we have also considered whether the requested information could be made available if we were to charge you for the necessary work. Given the very broad scope of your request, we consider that even if we were to charge, responding to your request would place an unreasonable administrative burden on the Department.

Central to that decision is that the collation of the documents you have requested would also require a careful line by line review to assess and attend to any privacy or commercial considerations their release would present.

Please refer to a link below to the Department's Annual Reports which includes income and expenditure and other useful financial statements.

https://www.doc.govt.nz/about-us/our-role/corporate-publications/annual-reportsarchive/



Please note that this is our final response in relation to this matter and we do not propose to engage in any further correspondence with you in relation to this request. This letter (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Department's website.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review of my decision by writing to an Ombudsman as provided by section 28 (3) Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely

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