

Annex:

Arrangement

between

New Zealand

and

the Australian Capital Territory

Relating to the Promotion of Reciprocal Commercial Discounts

for New Zealand SuperGold Card Holders

and Australian Capital Territory Seniors Card Holders

Purpose

- 1 The Participants in this Arrangement are New Zealand and the Australian Capital Territory, the body politic established by section 7 of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self Government) Act 1988*
- 2 The Participants have reached the following understanding to promote the provision of reciprocal commercial discounts by participating businesses and organisations (the "Business Partners") to holders of either the New Zealand SuperGold Card or the Australian Capital Territory Seniors Card (collectively the "Card Holders").

Context

- 3 This Arrangement is made by the Participants in recognition of:
 - (a) the geographic proximity and long-standing bilateral and mutually beneficial relationship between New Zealand and Australia which has been developed through the Australia – New Zealand Closer Economic Relations Trade Agreement which came into effect on 1 January 1983; and,

- (b) the valuable contribution that the Card Holders have made, and continue to make, in their communities.

Implementation

- 4 The Participants will work together to encourage Business Partners in the Participants' jurisdiction to provide commercial discounts to all Card Holders.
- 5 The Participants acknowledge that the provision of any commercial discounts to Card Holders of the other jurisdiction is at the discretion of each respective Business Partner.
- 6 The Participants acknowledge this Arrangement will not affect any existing or future subsidies or concessions funded by the Participants including concessions relating to public transport.
- 7 Each Participant will be responsible for each of its costs associated with this Arrangement.

Representatives

- 8 Any communication required by Arrangement will be in writing and given to the relevant Representative.
- 9 The representative for the Australian Capital Territory in implementing this Arrangement will be:

Ms Bronwen Overton-Clarke
Executive Director
Policy and Organisational Services
Department of Disability, Housing and Community Services
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CANBERRA ACT 2601
Australia

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- 10 The representative for New Zealand in implementing this Arrangement will be:

Merv Dacre
General Manager, Senior Services
Ministry of Social Development
PO Box 1556
Wellington 6140
New Zealand

Ministry of Social Development - National Office: Phone: +64 4 916 3300 Fax: +64 4 918 0099

General Review

- 11 The Participants will review this Arrangement one year after its coming into effect and then periodically review as mutually decided, to assess whether any changes to the Arrangement are necessary.

Amendment and Withdrawal

- 12 The Participants may jointly decide in writing to amend this Arrangement at any time.
- 13 A Participant may withdraw from this Arrangement by giving at least twelve months' written notice to the other Participant.

Dispute Resolution

- 14 If a difference or dispute arises in relation to this Arrangement, the Participants will resolve the dispute by negotiations, including referring the dispute to persons who have authority to intervene and direct some form of resolution.