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Ref: DOIA 2021 - 1967

Dear Reina

Thank you for your email of 03 April 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA):

I would like to request all of the INZ's training materials, policies and procedures for IO handling WTR - LTSSL - Chef's applications.

The specific category is 'work to residence - long term shortage skill list' for the occupation of chef.

Our response

Please find requested information in Appendix One.

Some of the information in the documents has been withheld under section 6(c) of the OIA. This is because making available that information would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial.

Information which relates to factors that Immigration New Zealand (INZ) takes into consideration to identify and manage risks, as well as specific details involved in the assessment process, has been withheld so as not to prejudice INZ's ability to effectively assess and determine genuine visa applications.

Some of the other information in the documents has also been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the OIA because it is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons. Information which could identify a visa applicant has been withheld to protect their privacy.

We have considered whether withholding that information is outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available, in accordance with section 9(1) of the OIA, however it is my opinion that such grounds do not exist. Information deemed out of scope of your request has also been excluded.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision to withhold information from the released documents. The relevant contact details are as follows:

Office of the Ombudsman PO BOX 10152 Wellington 6143 PH 0800 802 602

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If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact Dongrui Pang, Operations Support, Immigration New Zealand at Dongrui.Pang@mbie.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

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