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Tēnā koe A

Thank you for your email of 23 July 2023 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

“1. Can you please disclose the total number of EOIs received from 12 October 2022 till the end of July 2023 that went into the BALLOT POOL? Only the applications currently in the ballot (please exclude the declined/refused EOIs). Please provide the number of applicants in all ballot EOIs as one EOI may have 2 persons too.

2. Can you disclose the dates when EOI selection is planned for BALLOT POOL EOIs? I understand the selections will be once every 3 months, like August, Nov, Feb, March, etc. However, do you have any planned dates for selection (even if those dates could change in future)?

3. Can you disclose the dates when EOI selection is planned to happen for QUEUED POOL EOIs? I understand the selections will be once every three months, like August, Nov, Feb, March, etc. However, do you have any planned dates for selection (even if those dates could change in future)?

4. Can you disclose the number of EOIs in the QUEUED pool submitted on or before 30 September 2018 and waiting for selection. Please share the number of applicants in those EOIs.

5. Can you disclose the number of EOIs submitted in the QUEUED pool before 12 October 2022 and waiting for selection. Please share the number of applicants in those EOIs.

6. In the other EOI responses, you mentioned that 2000 visas were not issued under Parent Category in FY 2022/23 from QUEUED POOL. Imagine if only X number of visas were issued in FY 2022/23. Will the 2000 - X number of visas be carried over to FY2023/24 selections (in addition to the proposed 2000 visas for FY 2023/24. In brief, for FY2023/24, will the total proposed visas for FY 2023/24 be (2000 +2000 -X) 4000 -X?If not, then, why will the unused quota from FY2022/23 for the queued pool not be carried over to the current FY2023/24?”

MBIE has decided to grant your request. However, it will take us some time to process and prepare the information for release. We will send you the information as soon as it is ready and without undue delay.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, or if you require any further assistance, please contact OIA@mbie.govt.nz.

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 freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Jack Price', written in a cursive style.

Jack Price
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