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Tēnā koe Kirtika,

Thank you for your email of 6 November 2023 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

What submission date of the applications are currently (Date you reply to this request) being allocated to an Immigration Officer for Partner of a New Zealander Resident Visa?

In addition to the above, please outline and clarify between the allocation dates for the Partner of a New Zealand Citizen or Resident Visa application for visa's submitted online and on paper.

Our Response

As at 13 November 2023, the most recent Partner of New Zealander Resident Visa application allocated to an immigration officer for assessment via the online channel was submitted on 19 July 2023. The most recent Partner of New Zealander Resident Visa application allocated to an immigration officer for assessment via the paper channel was submitted on 12 July 2023.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of the Ministry's response to your request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact inzoias@mbie.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

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