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Tēnā koe Antony

Thank you for your email of 13 November 2024 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

*I am writing to request a copy of the Global Process Manual and Facilitator Guide relevant to the Partner of a New Zealander Resident Visa. I am seeking these documents to better understand the processes and guidelines used in assessing applications under this visa category.*

On 10 December 2024, MBIE sent you a letter noting that we had decided to extend the period of time available to make a decision on your request under section 15A(1)(b) of the Act, as consultations necessary to make a decision on your request were such that a proper response to the request could not reasonably be made within the original time limit.

### **Our Response**

Please refer to the attached appendices for the information you have requested. Please note that some information has been withheld under section 6(c) of the Act, as making it available 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. Some names have been withheld under section 9 (2) (a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.

More information on the Partnership Category can be found on the immigration New Zealand website here: <https://www.immigration.govt.nz/opsmanual/#30875.htm>

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](http://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](mailto:inzoias@mbie.govt.nz)

Nāku noa, nā



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