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Ref: DOIA 2021-1619

Dear A KS

I refer to your official information request, which was received by the Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment on 24 February 2021. You requested under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) the following information:

- 1:-Total Count of EOIs currently in the Parents residency visa pool. If you can provide the count of persons that will be great too as 1 EOI can have more than 1 applicant.*
- 2:-Count of EOIs which have been submitted before 15 September 2018 and are still in the pool. If you can provide the count of persons that will be great too.*
- 3:- Please share any documents or communication emails showing considerations of reopening Parents residency visa EOIs selection which was paused last year.*

I am writing to advise you that the Ministry will provide a response but needs to extend the time available to answer your request. The Ministry's response will be with you no later than 07 April 2021. The reason for the extension relies on S15A (1) (b) of the OIA – consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot be made within the original time limit.

I will respond to your request sooner if I am able to.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our decision to extend the time limit by the Ombudsman at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz, free-phone 0800 802 602 or post to the following address: The Ombudsman, Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10-152, WELLINGTON 6143

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request, please contact Adam Jones at adam.jones@mbie.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

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