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Arun Thakur

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Ref: DOIA 2021 - 0376

Dear Arun Thakur

Thank you for your email of 18 August 2020, requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA):

I am an NZ Resident and would like to request information related to Skilled Residency application as per below:-

- 1. Can you please provide me data of allocation of Skilled Residence application for priority and non-priority queue from 27 July 2020 to the date this request will be answered? Please provide information on a weekly basis.*
- 2. What is the total number of non-priority skilled residence application still waiting for allocation to CO between 3rd Jan 2019 to 5th Feb 2019(Both dates inclusive)?*
- 3. What is the current backlog of priority and non-priority skilled residence application as on the date this request will be answered? Please also provide the date of oldest application waiting on CO in both queues.*
- 4. How many applications from non-priority Skilled residency queue has been escalated under EVE (Employment Visa Escalation) process from 18 May 2020 to the date this request will be answered.*
- 5. How many priority applications do immigration New Zealand received in the month of May 2020, June 2020, July 2020, Aug 2020 and Sep 2020 (If applicable)? Out of these applications, please provide data for how many of these applications already assigned to CO as on date this request been answered. Please provide data in a monthly format for this request as per below table.*

Month "Total priority application lodged at INZ" "Priority Applications already assigned with a CO"

May 2020

June 2020

July 2020

August 2020

September 2020(if Applicable)

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 9 October 2020. 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.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our decision to extend the time limit by the Ombudsman. Information about how to do so is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss an aspect of your request, please contact Dongrui Pang at Dongrui.Pang@mbie.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Carley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

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