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Tēnā koe Junlong

Thank you for your email of 21 February 2023 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

May I enquire about the processing time of permanent resident visa applications received from 15 Nov 2022 until now for Chinese nationals and the percentage of them asked for NSC? Or any related data if my request is too complicated.

Our Response

Please refer to the table below for the processing timeframes for General Permanent Resident Visa applications received from 15 November 2022 for Chinese nationals, as at 8 March 2023.

Visa Category	50% of applications completed within	90% of applications completed within
General Permanent Resident	28 weekdays	41 weekdays

Your request as to what percentage of these applicants had a National Security Check completed is being refused in reliance of section 6(a) and section 6(c) of the Act as to make the information available would be likely to prejudice the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the New Zealand Government, and the maintenance of the law.

I hope you find this information useful. 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.



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

Nāku iti nei, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Owen', with a vertical line to its left.

Richard Owen

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