

MINISTRY OF BUSINESS, INNOVATION & EMPLOYMENT HĪKINA WHAKATUTUKI



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Tēnā koe Kirtika

Thank you for your email of 16 August 2023 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

I wanted to know what the exact date is for the last file allocated under Partnership residence visa as of 17 August 2023.

Our Response

As at 17 August 2023, Partner of a New Zealander Resident Visa category applications being allocated to an immigration officer were submitted on:

- 17 March 2023 for paper-based applications.
- 8 May 2023 for online applications.

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 <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or freephone 0800 802 602.

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

Ngā mihi nui

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