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Tēnā koe Janelle

Thank you for your email of 22 September 2023 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

Fee-paying student visa application outcomes for applicants from outside New Zealand, broken down by applicant nationality [data for 1 January 2023 – 22 September 2023].

Our Response

Please refer to the attached appendix for the information requested.

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, or if you require any further assistance, please contact inzoias@mbie.govt.nz

Nāku noa, nā

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Appendix

Decisions on fee-paying student visa applications from offshore, broken down by nationality and decision status between 1 January 2023 and 22 September 2023, as at 11 October 2023

Nationality	Approved applications	Declined applications	Withdrawn applications	Total number of decided applications
Afghanistan	3	10	0	13
Albania	2	1	0	3
Algeria	1	0	0	1
Angola	0	2	0	2
Argentina	80	6	1	87
Austria	38	0	0	38
Azerbaijan	2	1	0	3
Bangladesh	58	53	4	115
Belarus	2	1	0	3
Belgium	45	0	1	46
Belize	1	0	0	1
Benin	1	1	0	2
Bermuda	1	1	0	2
Bhutan	5	0	0	5
Bolivia	4	1	0	5
Botswana	2	0	0	2
Brazil	471	49	2	522
Brunei Darussalam	10	0	0	10
Bulgaria	1	1	0	2
Burundi	0	2	0	2
Cambodia	100	18	2	120
Cameroon	2	5	0	7
Canada	142	3	3	148
Chile	456	24	2	482
China	7,613	291	104	8,008
Colombia	275	11	0	286
Congo	0	2	0	2
Costa Rica	3	0	0	3
Croatia	3	0	0	3
Cuba	1	0	0	1
Czech Republic	13	0	0	13
Democratic Republic of Congo	0	2	0	2
Denmark	82	1	0	83
Dominica	0	1	0	1
Dominican Republic	3	0	0	3
Ecuador	78	5	1	84
Egypt	10	10	1	21
El Salvador	1	0	0	1
Eritrea	1	0	0	1
Ethiopia	3	1	0	4

Nationality	Approved applications	Declined applications	Withdrawn applications	Total number of decided applications
Federated States of Micronesia	1	0	0	1
Fiji	171	49	5	225
Finland	13	0	0	13
France	224	10	1	235
Gambia	0	1	0	1
Georgia	1	1	1	3
Germany	889	2	2	893
Ghana	15	20	0	35
Great Britain	149	4	1	154
Greece	2	1	0	3
Grenada	1	1	0	2
Guatemala	0	1	0	1
Guyana	0	1	0	1
Honduras	0	2	0	2
Hong Kong	292	8	5	305
Hungary	11	0	0	11
Iceland	1	0	0	1
India	3,969	2,627	183	6,779
Indonesia	313	15	2	330
Iran	109	88	10	207
Iraq	6	13	0	19
Ireland	20	1	0	21
Israel	4	2	0	6
Italy	162	0	1	163
Jamaica	1	0	0	1
Japan	1,399	6	7	1,412
Jordan	6	10	1	17
Kazakhstan	15	3	0	18
Kenya	14	15	0	29
Kiribati	7	0	1	8
Kuwait	22	1	0	23
Kyrgyzstan	4	2	0	6
Laos	38	1	0	39
Latvia	3	0	1	4
Lebanon	3	1	0	4
Liberia	0	3	0	3
Libya	2	5	0	7
Lithuania	1	0	0	1
Luxembourg	2	0	0	2
Macau	12	1	0	13
Madagascar	0	1	0	1
Malawi	2	0	0	2
Malaysia	333	15	2	350
Maldives	12	4	0	16

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Malta	1	0	0	1
Marshall Islands	1	0	0	1
Mauritius	9	0	0	9
Mexico	113	7	0	120
Mongolia	10	9	1	20
Morocco	1	1	0	2
Mozambique	1	0	0	1
Myanmar	102	48	3	153
Nauru	1	0	0	1
Nepal	425	1,286	10	1,721
Netherlands	64	1	0	65
Nigeria	41	57	0	98
North Korea	0	1	0	1
Norway	98	4	0	102
Oman	30	0	0	30
Pakistan	106	106	4	216
Palau	2	0	0	2
Palestine	3	3	0	6
Panama	4	1	0	5
Papua New Guinea	67	12	1	80
Paraguay	3	1	0	4
Peru	34	2	0	36
Philippines	742	172	13	927
Poland	10	0	0	10
Portugal	14	2	0	16
Russia	145	110	2	257
Rwanda	1	4	0	5
Samoa	53	5	2	60
Saudi Arabia	31	9	0	40
Senegal	0	2	0	2
Seychelles	1	0	0	1
Singapore	203	6	1	210
Slovakia	6	0	0	6
Slovenia	1	0	0	1
Solomon Islands	30	0	0	30
South Africa	41	24	2	67
South Korea	801	18	6	825
South Sudan	0	1	0	1
Spain	86	0	0	86
Sri Lanka	758	186	21	965
St Lucia	2	0	0	2
St Vincent and the Grenadines	1	0	0	1
Sudan	5	8	1	14
Swaziland	2	0	0	2

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Sweden	49	1	2	52
Switzerland	79	3	2	84
Syria	2	11	0	13
Taiwan	196	4	0	200
Tanzania	3	3	0	6
Thailand	1,156	99	7	1,262
Timor Leste	9	0	0	9
Tonga	97	17	0	114
Trinidad and Tobago	1	1	0	2
Tunisia	1	0	0	1
Turkey	9	11	0	20
Tuvalu	11	0	0	11
Uganda	1	1	0	2
Ukraine	1	1	0	2
United States of America	1,153	22	14	1,189
Uruguay	16	2	0	18
Uzbekistan	0	5	0	5
Vanuatu	14	4	0	18
Venezuela	7	3	0	10
Vietnam	434	107	8	549
Yemen	2	3	0	5
Zambia	2	2	0	4
Zimbabwe	17	30	0	47
Total	25,051	5,834	444	31,329