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Tēnā koe Loren

Thank you for your correspondence of 19 June 2026 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

Please can you provide all current SOPs relating to the Parent Category, specifically including the following:

- *Parent Category EOI Selection SOP (Queued Pool and Ballot Pool)*
- *Parent Category EOI Credibility Check SOP*
- *Parent Category EOI Decline SOP*
- *Parent Category Issuing ITA SOP*
- *Parent Category Resident Visa Assess Eligibility SOP*
- *Parent Category Assess Identity SOP*
- *Parent Category Resident Visa Decision Check SOP*
- *Parent Category Applications pending 3rd party checks SOP*
- *Parent Category Assess Health SOP, including any materials and internal guidance relating to the withdrawal/removal of a secondary applicant from a residence application for not meeting health requirements.*

Any materials relating to the formulas used in the apportionment calculator for calculating sponsor income.

We are extending the timeframe to make a decision on your request under section 15A of the Act, as the request necessitates a search through a large quantity of information and further consultation is required to make a decision on your request.

As such, a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit. MBIE will notify you of a decision on your request no later than 5 August 2026.

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

Nāku noa, nā

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