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Tēnā koe Lijo

Thank you for your email of 18 September 2023 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

I would like to know the number of applications(EOIs) that are currently present in the Parent resident visa ballot pool after the August and September 2023 EOI selections.

Can you also tell me what would happen to the criteria for selection from the ballot pool once the EOIs in the queued pool have all been selected (by 2025)?. Will all the 2500 EOIs be selected from the ballot pool ?. And if that's the case , would they choose the 2500 EOIs using a ballot or based on the date of application?

Our Response

As at 27 September 2023, the number of Parent Resident Visa expression of interests (EOIs) in the ballot pool after the August and September 2023 selections is 7,225.

Once all the EOIs in the queue have been selected, the full quota of 2,500 will be selected by ballot selection. There will be no change to the selection method, which means it will continue to be by ballot.

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 inzoias@mbie.govt.nz

Nāku noa, nā

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