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Tēnā koe Janelle

Thank you for your email of 1 March 2024 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

We are writing to formally request access to all relevant internal training materials utilized by immigration officers when assessing WA2, as outlined in the operational manual of the Immigration Department of the MBIE.

On 2 April 2024, we advised that MBIE decided to extend the period of time available to make a decision on your request under section 15A(1)(b) of the Act, as consultations were necessary to make a decision on your request were such that a proper response to the request could not reasonably made within the original time limit. We advised that we would respond to you no later than 19 April 2024.

Our Response

Please refer to the attached Appendices A, B and C for the information in scope of your request as at 1 March 2024. Please note that some information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons and section 6(c) of the Act, as making this information available would likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention and investigation as follows:

Appendix	Document	Withholding grounds
A	Accredited Employer Work Visa Employer Accreditation Policy. Facilitator guide	9(2)(a) 6(c)
B	Standard Operating Procedures (SOP): Employer Accreditation	9(2)(a) 6(c)
C	Internal training for immigration officers: Employer Accreditation – Assessing viability and type of accreditation	9(2)(a) 6(c)

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Kc', written in a cursive style.

Kerrin Connolly
Acting Deputy Chief Operating Officer Immigration
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