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FOI Request: FA 17/04/00580

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By email: 

Dear 

Freedom of Information request – decision on request

This letter refers to your request received on 19 April 2017 seeking access under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the FOI Act) to the following:

Number of the following visas granted to the primary applicant during 01/07/2015 to 30/06/2016, to present programme years for the attached list of removed occupations dated 19/04/2017.

Visas: 189, 190, 457, 489, 885, 886, ENS visas and RSMS visas.

I have attached the list of removed occupations with this letter at **Attachment A**.

Authority to make decision

I am an officer authorised under section 23 of the FOI Act to make decisions in respect of requests to access documents or to amend or annotate Departmental records.

Information considered

In reaching my decision, I have considered the following:

- The terms of your request
- The *Freedom of Information Act 1982*
- Departmental files identified
- The Australian Information Commissioner's guidelines relating to access to documents held by government
- Consultations with the relevant business area in the Department

Legislation

A copy of the FOI Act is available for your reference from www.legislation.gov.au/Browse/ByTitle/Acts/InForce/0/0/Principal

Decision on access

I have consulted with the relevant business area in the Department, the Visa Statistics Section.

In accordance with section 17 of the FOI Act, the Visa Statistics Section has used its computer system to produce a document that contains the requested information. The data produced in this document includes information that was in possession of the Department on 19 April 2017, the date at which your FOI request was received, and data available later at 31 May 2017. The data also includes information on occupations above and beyond the list of removed occupations at **Attachment A**.

I am satisfied that the Department has fulfilled your request under the FOI Act.

My decision is to release the documents in full.

Review rights

Internal review

If you disagree with my decision, you have the right to apply for an internal review by the Department of my decision. Any request for internal review must be provided to the Department within 30 days of you being notified of the decision. Where possible please attach reasons why you believe review of the decision is necessary. The internal review will be carried out by an officer other than the original decision-maker and the Department must make a review decision within 30 days.

Applications for review should be sent to:

Freedom of Information
Department of Immigration and Border Protection
PO Box 25
BELCONNEN ACT 2617

Or by email to: foi.reviews@border.gov.au

Review by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner

You may apply directly to the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC) for a review of my decision. You must apply in writing within 60 days of this notice. For further information about review rights and how to submit a review request to the OAIC, please see FOI fact sheet 12 '*Freedom of information – Your review rights*', available online at www.oaic.gov.au.

How to make a complaint about the handling of your FOI request

You may complain to the Australian Information Commissioner if you have concerns about how the department has handled your request under the FOI Act. Information about how to submit a complaint is also available at www.oaic.gov.au.

Contacting the FOI Section

If you wish to discuss this matter, you may contact me using the details provided below.

Yours sincerely



Authorised Decision Maker
Freedom of Information Section
Department of Immigration and Border Protection
Email: foi@border.gov.au

Attachments

- Attachment A – List of removed occupations
- Attachment B – Documents released



Australian Government
**Department of Immigration
and Border Protection**

List of removed occupations

Occupations entirely removed from the list of eligible skilled occupation on 19 April 2017 are listed below.

| Occupation | ANZSCO Code |
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| Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker | 411511 |
| Actor | 211111 |
| Actors, Dancers and Other Entertainers NEC | 211199 |
| Aeroplane Pilot | 231111 |
| Air Traffic Controller | 231112 |
| Air Transport Professionals NEC | 231199 |
| Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (Avionics) | 323111 |
| Amusement Centre Manager | 149111 |
| Antique Dealer | 142112 |
| Apparel Cutter | 393211 |
| Archaeologist | 272414 |
| Archivist | 224211 |
| Art Director (Film, Television or Stage) | 212311 |
| Artistic Director | 212111 |
| Auctioneer | 611111 |
| Author | 212211 |
| Bed and Breakfast Operator | 141911 |
| Betting agency Manager | 142113 |
| Biochemist | 234513 |
| Biotechnologist | 234514 |
| Blacksmith | 322111 |
| Boarding Kennel or Cattery Operator | 149911 |

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| Broadcast Transmitter Operator | 399511 |
| Building and Engineering Technicians NEC | 312999 |
| Business Broker | 612111 |
| Butcher or Smallgoods Maker | 351211 |
| Call or Contact Centre Manager | 149211 |
| Canvas Goods Fabricator | 393111 |
| Caravan Park and Camping Ground Manager | 141211 |
| Cinema or Theatre Manager | 149912 |
| Clinical Coder | 599915 |
| Clothing Patternmaker | 393212 |
| Clothing Trades Workers NEC | 393299 |
| Commissioned Defence Force Officer | 139111 |
| Commissioned Fire Officer | 139112 |
| Commissioned Police Officer | 139113 |
| Communications Operator | 342312 |
| Community Arts Worker | 272611 |
| Composer | 211211 |
| Conservation Officer | 234311 |
| Construction Estimator | 312114 |
| Conveyancer | 599111 |
| Corporate Treasurer | 221212 |
| Court Bailiff or Sheriff (Aus) / Court Collections Officer (NZ) | 599212 |
| Deer Farmer | 121314 |
| Defence Force Member - Other Ranks | 441111 |
| Defence Force Senior Officer | 111212 |
| Dental Hygienist | 411211 |
| Dental Prosthetist | 411212 |
| Dental Therapist | 411214 |
| Detective | 441311 |
| Director of Photography | 212313 |
| Diver | 399911 |

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| Dog or Horse Racing Official | 452318 |
| Drama Teacher (Private Tuition) | 249213 |
| Dressmaker or Tailor | 393213 |
| Driller | 712211 |
| Driving Instructor | 451211 |
| Education Reviewer | 249112 |
| Electorate Officer | 224911 |
| Electronic Engineering Draftsperson | 312411 |
| Electronic Engineering Technician | 312412 |
| Electroplater | 322112 |
| Emergency Service Worker | 441211 |
| Engineering Patternmaker | 323411 |
| Engraver | 323311 |
| Entertainer or Variety Artist | 211113 |
| Environmental Health Officer | 251311 |
| Exercise Physiologist | 234915 |
| Film, Television, Radio and Stage Directors NEC | 212399 |
| Financial Institution Branch Manager | 149914 |
| Fire Fighter | 441212 |
| Fire Protection Equipment Technician | 399918 |
| First Aid Trainer | 451815 |
| Fisheries Officer | 311311 |
| Flight Attendant | 451711 |
| Floor Finisher | 332111 |
| Flying Instructor | 231113 |
| Food Technologist | 234212 |
| Funeral Director | 451311 |
| Funeral Workers NEC | 451399 |
| Futures Trader | 222212 |
| Gallery or Museum Technician | 399311 |
| Gas or Petroleum Operator | 399212 |

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| Geophysicist | 234412 |
| Goat Farmer | 121315 |
| Golfer | 452412 |
| Graphic Pre-press Trades Worker | 392211 |
| Gunsmith | 323312 |
| Helicopter Pilot | 231114 |
| Historian | 272411 |
| Homoeopath | 252212 |
| Horse Trainer | 361112 |
| Human Resource Adviser | 223111 |
| Hydrogeologist | 234413 |
| Hydrographer | 311415 |
| ICT Support and Test Engineers NEC | 263299 |
| ICT Support Technicians NEC | 313199 |
| Importer or Exporter | 133311 |
| Insurance Investigator | 599611 |
| Insurance Risk Surveyor | 599613 |
| Intellectual Property Lawyer | 271214 |
| Intelligence Officer | 224411 |
| Interior Decorator | 399912 |
| Jockey | 452413 |
| Judge | 271211 |
| Kennel Hand | 361115 |
| Leather Goods Maker | 393112 |
| Legal Executive | 599112 |
| Liaison Officer | 224912 |
| Licensed Club Manager | 141411 |
| Life Scientist (General) | 234511 |
| Life Scientists NEC | 234599 |
| Light Technician | 399513 |
| Magistrate | 271212 |

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| Maintenance Planner | 312911 |
| Marine Surveyor | 231215 |
| Marine Transport Professionals NEC | 231299 |
| Market Research Analyst | 225112 |
| Master Fisher | 231211 |
| Mechanical Engineering Draftsperson | 312511 |
| Media Producer (excluding Video) | 212112 |
| Metal Casting Trades Worker | 322114 |
| Metal Polisher | 322115 |
| Metallurgist | 234912 |
| Microbiologist | 234517 |
| Migration Agent (Aus) | 224913 |
| Mothercraft Nurse | 411412 |
| Multimedia Designer | 232413 |
| Music Director | 211212 |
| Music Professionals NEC | 211299 |
| Musical Instrument Maker or Repairer | 399515 |
| Natural and Physical Science Professionals NEC | 234999 |
| Nurse Researcher | 254212 |
| Nurseryperson | 362411 |
| Operating Theatre Technician | 311214 |
| Optical Dispenser (Aus) / Dispensing Optician (NZ) | 399913 |
| Optical Mechanic | 399914 |
| Other Sports Official | 452323 |
| Painter (Visual Arts) | 211411 |
| Park Ranger | 234314 |
| Parole or Probation Officer | 411714 |
| Pathology Collector (Aus) / Phlebotomist (NZ) | 311216 |
| Petroleum Engineer | 233612 |
| Plastics Technician | 399916 |
| Plumbing Inspector | 312115 |

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| Police Officer | 441312 |
| Policy Analyst | 224412 |
| Policy and Planning Manager | 132411 |
| Potter or ceramic artist | 211412 |
| Prison Officer | 442111 |
| Procurement Manager | 133612 |
| Production Manager (Manufacturing) | 133512 |
| Public Relations Manager | 131114 |
| Quarantine Officer | 311313 |
| Radio Journalist | 212414 |
| Radio Presenter | 212113 |
| Railway Station Manager | 149412 |
| Regional Education Manager | 134412 |
| Research and Development Manager | 132511 |
| Retail Buyer | 639211 |
| Retirement Village Manager | 141912 |
| Safety Inspector | 312611 |
| Sail Maker | 393113 |
| Sales Representative (Industrial Products) | 225411 |
| Sales Representative (Medical and Pharmaceutical Products) | 225412 |
| Saw Maker and Repairer | 323315 |
| School Laboratory Technician | 311414 |
| Screen Printer | 392112 |
| Sculpter | 211413 |
| Senior Non-commissioned Defence Force Member | 139211 |
| Shearer | 361211 |
| Shoemaker | 393114 |
| Singer | 211214 |
| Small Offset Printer | 392312 |
| Sports Administrator | 139915 |
| Sports Umpire | 452322 |

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| Stock and Station Agent | 611112 |
| Surveying or Spatial Science Technician | 312116 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers NEC | 399999 |
| Telecommunications Cable Jointer | 342412 |
| Telecommunications Technician | 342414 |
| Television Equipment Operator | 399517 |
| Television Presenter | 212114 |
| Training and Development Professional | 223311 |
| Translator | 272413 |
| Travel Agency Manager | 142116 |
| Travel Attendants NEC | 451799 |
| Tribunal Member | 271213 |
| Turf Grower | 121218 |
| Vehicle Painter | 324311 |
| Vocational Education Teacher (Non-Trades) | 242211 |
| Vocational Education Teacher (Trades) | 242211 |
| Web Developer | 261212 |
| Wholesaler | 133312 |
| Wood Turner | 394214 |
| Wool Buyer | 639212 |
| Wool Classer | 399917 |
| Workplace Relations Advisor | 223113 |
| Zookeeper | 361114 |