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Hi ^{s. 22(1)(a)(ii)}

We will be setting the January 2020 SkillSelect invitation round as follows:

1,000 - Skilled Independent (Subclass 189) 300 - Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) (Family Sponsored) (Subclass 491)

Total – 1,300

Kind regards

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Visa applications onhand as at 31 December 2019 for subclass 189 (New Zealand Pathway and Points Tested) and subclass 491 (Family Sponsored Regional)

Source: Department of Home Affairs.

Note 1: Includes primary and secondary applicants.

Visa Subclass	Visa Sub-type	Onhand at 31/12/2019
189 Skilled - Independent	New Zealand Pathway	4,212
	Points Tested	8,368
491 Skilled Work Regional (Provisional)	Family Sponsored Regional	54

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We would like to request any documents, email correspondence, minutes of discussions, or analysis around the current 189 and 491 (family sponsored) program, how many applications you have as a backlog and any data or comments on the number of invites to be given for any month from now until the end of the 2019/20 program year.

In response to "invites to be given for any month from now until the end of the 2019/20 program year":

The Department manages invitation rounds each month after careful consideration of the current processing pipelines, resourcing and totals already invited. Each invitation round can vary accordingly.

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