

Correction: Supplemental information, to amending your documentation via DIAC and DFAT

From DIAC 20-09-2010

In response to the questions asked the following may be of assistance. I have responded in the same order as your original questions.

New Zealand citizens who hold a Special Category visa should complete form 1162 Application for certificate of status for New Zealand citizens in Australia.

If a person is currently an Australian permanent resident, and they acquired that status on or after their arrival in Australia, and they want documentary evidence of that status, they can apply for a Certificate of Evidence of Resident Status (CERS). Form 164 (Application for evidence of resident status) is the relevant form to be completed by an applicant for a CERS. The Form 283 is the CERS certificate that will be issued to the applicant.

A CERS cannot be issued to an Australian citizen. Australian citizens requiring evidence of their Australian citizenship must apply for evidence of Australian citizenship by completing form 119 Application for evidence of Australian citizenship.

As indicated in our conversation the non-issuing of CERS to Australian citizens is not a change of policy, but applying the policy as intended, that is as an evidence of permanent resident status and not issued to Australian citizens.

Regards

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