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PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING TO PREPARE YOUR **188 VISA** APPLICATION (PAGE 1)

1. Documents to demonstrate your personal identity

- (a) Certified copies of the biographical pages of the current passports of all people included in the application
- (b) Full birth certificates for each family member in the application
- (c) Two recent passport-sized photographs (45 mm x 35 mm) of each person included in the application
- (d) If there has been a name change, evidence of that name change (e.g. marriage certificate, deed poll)
- (e) Evidence of your relationships:
 - i. If married, marriage certificate;
 - ii. If divorced, divorce certificate;
 - iii. If in a de facto relationship, evidence of your de facto relationship.
- (f) If children are between 18 and 23, evidence of financial dependency:
 - i. Proof that they reside in the same household (E.g. correspondence to the same address);
 - ii. Proof that they are financially dependent (e.g. bank statements);
 - iii. Proof that they are studying (E.g. university enrolment).
- (g) If including a child under 18 where a parent is not included,

evidence of custody (legal documents and Form 1229).

2. Documents to demonstrate your skills and experience

- (a) Evidence of "Functional English"
 - i. A valid passport issued by the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Canada, New Zealand, or the Republic of Ireland;
 - ii. A relevant English test (IELTS 4.5, TOEFL 32, PTE 30)

3. Documents to evidence your past investment / business activity

- (a) An overview of your eligible investment activity or your qualifying business activity and intentions in Australia, which could include:
 - i. Your curriculum vitae or resume
 - ii. A statement outlining intended business and investment activities
 - iii. A description of your research or study in relevant sectors in Australia
 - iv. A description of the business activities of the business in Australia in which you have an interest and your period of ownership, if applicable.

- (a) Evidence and ownership of either a qualifying business OR an eligible investment (see below)

4. Evidence of your management / ownership in a qualifying business

- (a) A statement of management for one of the five fiscal years before you were invited to apply for this visa, showing your direct and continuous involvement in the management of the business and day-to-day decision-making
- (b) An organisational chart of the business for the same year, showing direct management reporting lines and functional responsibilities
- (c) A business registration certificate or licence
- (d) Evidence of your share of ownership, such as:
 - i. Evidence of purchase
 - ii. Share registers, company registers and/or share transfer documents
 - iii. Historical company extracts
 - iv. Annual returns of directors and shareholders
 - v. Partnership, trust and/or franchise agreements.

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5. Evidence of your management / ownership in a qualifying business

- (e) A summary of eligible investments claimed for one of the five fiscal years immediately before you were invited to apply for this visa, including:
 - i. Their net value;
 - ii. A summary statement of management of each eligible investment.
- (f) Evidence of management of investments for the above period one of the five fiscal years immediately before you were invited to apply for this visa:
 - i. For ownership interest in a business: evidence that you have managed the performance of the business or have been involved in the management of the business
 - ii. For loans to businesses: a copy of terms and conditions, interest rate, record of repayments
 - iii. For cash on deposit: evidence of having monitored interest rates and returns on this investment against other potential eligible investments
 - iv. For stocks and bonds: evidence that you have measured the performance of these assets

- v. For real estate: yield statements in terms of income from investment properties, cash flow statements and disbursements, records of property maintenance or improvements
- vi. For gold and silver bullion: the result of regular (at least twice yearly) valuations of bullion.
- (g) Evidence of your ownership of each eligible investment:
 - i. For ownership in a business: at least one of evidence of purchase; share registers, company registers, or share transfer documents; historical company extracts; annual returns of directors and shareholders; partnership, trust or franchise agreement
 - ii. For loans to a business: certified copies of loan agreements, evidence that the loan is recorded in the financial statements of the debtor business
 - iii. For cash on deposit: bank statements identifying the account holder
 - iv. For stocks and bonds: a record of share transactions verified by a stockbroker or the stock exchange as at the end of the fiscal year
 - v. For real estate: certified copies of title deeds
 - vi. For gold or silver bullion: certified copy of the

purchase contract from a registered bullion dealer; independent confirmation that you still own the bullion, indicating where it is held.

6. Evidence of source of funds

- (a) Evidence of liabilities (if any) against each investment (for example, mortgages; loans, including unsecured and third party loans; credit cards).
- (b) Evidence that funds proposed to be used to make the designated investment were accumulated from qualifying business or eligible investment activities (for example, evidence of dividends or profit retained in the business and available for distribution).

7. Evidence of net assets

- (a) Evidence of ownership of assets with a minimum total net value of AUD2.25 million at each point of time shown in the SALPs, including evidence of:
 - i. The value of each asset
 - ii. Liabilities (if any) against each asset (for example, mortgages; loans, including unsecured and third-party loans; credit cards)
 - iii. For assets held via a trust: a copy of the trust deed
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7. Evidence of net assets (Contd.)

- i. For cash assets: bank statements for the dates nominated on your SALPs
- ii. For real estate assets, for the dates nominated on your SALPs: title deeds, valuation certificate by an accredited property valuer, mortgage documents
- iii. For personal or business loans, for the dates nominated on your SALPs: loan agreements, loan statements indicating amount borrowed and repayment schedule; listings in business balance sheets (if loan is to or from a business)
- iv. For ownership interests in businesses, for the dates nominated on your SALPs: evidence of ownership, such as evidence of purchase; share registers; company registers; share transfer documents; historical company extracts; annual returns of directors and shareholders; partnership, trust or franchise agreements; evidence of value, such as extracts from financial statements for each business, prepared by an independent accountant to International Accounting Standards and including a balance sheet and notes to the accounts
- v. For stocks and bonds: share or bond registers, shares, fixed interest securities, debenture certificates, transfer certificates for the dates nominated on your SALPs.

8. Documents to demonstrate your identity, health and character

- (a) Evidence of your health assessment (if required);
- (b) Police certificates for any country (including Australia) if you have lived for a cumulative period of 12 months or more since turning 16).

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