

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Migration Regulations 1994

ARRANGEMENTS FOR OTHER FAMILY VISA APPLICATIONS 2015

(Items 1123A, 1123B)

1. This Instrument is made under subregulation 2.07(5) of the *Migration Regulations 1994* (the Regulations), for items 1123A and 1123B of Schedule 1 to the Regulations.
2. The purpose of the Instrument is to specify the form numbers of the approved form or forms and the location for lodgement of applications for Other Family (Migrant) (Class BO) and Other Family (Migrant) (Class BO) visas.
3. The Instrument operates to specify approved forms for making valid applications and location for making valid applications for the relevant visa classes.
4. Consultation is unnecessary as, under section 18(1) of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*, the Instrument is of a minor or machinery nature and does not substantially alter existing arrangements.
5. Under section 44 of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003* the Instrument is exempt from disallowance and therefore a Statement of Compatibility with Human Rights is not required.
6. The Office of Best Practice Regulation has advised that a Regulatory Impact Statement is not required (OBPR Reference 17108).
7. The Instrument, IMMI 15/034, commences on 18 April 2015.