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Dear Fiona Jackson

Thank you for your e-mail of 15 June 2010 regarding the possibility of Richard O'Brien being granted residence/citizenship in New Zealand.

Whilst I do not normally comment on the detail of individual cases I can assure you your points have been noted.

It is worth noting that no application for residence from Mr O'Brien has been received by Immigration New Zealand, so no application has been declined. However, Mr O'Brien's agent has recently written to the Associate Minister of Immigration, Hon Kate Wilkinson requesting that Mr O'Brien be granted residence. The Associate Minister is currently considering the request.

As Minister of Immigration, matters relating specifically to citizenship fall outside the scope of my portfolio. Citizenship matters are the portfolio responsibility of the Minister of Internal Affairs, Hon Nathan Guy.

Thank you for putting your concerns forward.

Yours sincerely

Hon Dr Jonathan Coleman
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