#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Migration Regulations 1994

# MIGRATION (LIN 19/188: ARRANGEMENT FOR APPROVAL AND VARIATION OF APPROVAL FOR A TEMPORARY PARENT SPONSOR) INSTRUMENT 2019

(paragraph 2.61A(4)(b); paragraph 2.61A(4)(c); subregulation 2.66(3); subregulation 2.66(4))

- The instrument, LIN 19/188 is made under paragraph 2.61A(4)(b), paragraph 2.61A(4)(c), subregulation 2.66(3), and subregulation 2.66(4) of the *Migration Regulations 1994* (the Regulations).
- 2. The instrument repeals *Migration (LIN 19/147: Arrangements for Sponsorship for Temporary Sponsored Parent Visa) Instrument 2019* (F2019L00596) in accordance with subsection 33(3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901* (the AIA). Subsection 33(3) of the AIA states that where an Act confers a power to make, grant or issue any instrument of a legislative or administrative character, the power shall be construed as including a power exercisable in the like manner and subject to the like conditions (if any) to repeal, rescind, revoke, amend, or vary any such instrument.
- 3. This instrument operates to specify the form and fee required for applications for approval as a family sponsor and applications for variation of terms of approval as a parent sponsor.
- 4. The instrument also repeals instrument (LIN 19/147). The instrument differs from the repealed instrument by clarifying that the form for applying for approval as a family sponsor, Form 1501, is an internet form; and by including a specification of the form and fee for making an application for variation of approval of terms as a parent sponsor. The instrument supports the *Migration Amendment (Temporary Sponsored Parent Visa and Other Measures) Regulations 2019*, which commenced 17 April 2019.
- 5. Consultation was undertaken before the instrument was made, in accordance with subsection 17(1) of the *Legislation Act 2003*, which envisages consultations where appropriate and reasonably practicable. The Department consulted with other relevant government agencies and community stakeholders prior to the Government's announcement of 4 May 2017, that it would implement the Subclass 870 (Sponsored

Parent (Temporary)) visa as part of the 2017-18 Budget measures. The Department consulted with the following agencies:

- a. Attorney-General's Department;
- b. Australian Taxation Office;
- c. Department of Finance;
- d. Department of Health;
- e. Department of Human Services;
- f. Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet;
- g. Department of Social Services;
- h. The Treasury.
- 6. The Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) has advised that a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) is required (OBPR Reference: 21913). The RIS has been provided.
- Under section 42 of the *Legislation Act 2003*, the instrument is subject to disallowance.
  A Statement of Compatibility with Human Rights has been provided, at <u>Attachment A</u>.
- 8. The instrument commences the day after registration on the Federal Register of Legislation.

### Attachment A

# Statement of Compatibility with Human Rights

Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011

# Migration (LIN 19/188: Arrangement for Approval and Variation of Approval for a Temporary Parent Sponsor) Instrument 2019

This Disallowable Legislative Instrument is compatible with the human rights and freedoms recognised or declared in the international instruments listed in section 3 of the *Human Rights* (*Parliamentary Scrutiny*) Act 2011.

## **Overview of the Disallowable Legislative Instrument**

This instrument operates to specify the form and fee required for applications for approval as a parent sponsor and applications for variation of approval as a parent sponsor.

The purpose of the remade instrument is to remake the existing specifications for approval as a family sponsor and clarify that the form for applying for approval as a family sponsor, Form 1501, is an internet form. Further, the instrument specifies the form and fee for making an application for variation of approval as a parent sponsor. The instrument supports the *Migration Amendment (Temporary Sponsored Parent Visa and Other Measures) Regulations 2019*, which commenced 17 April 2019.

# Human rights implications

This Disallowable Legislative Instrument does not engage human rights, as it is a technical measure to support applications for the subclass 870 visa.

#### Conclusion

This Disallowable Legislative Instrument does not engage human rights.