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General Immigration Division,

INIS

13-14 Burgh Quay,

Dublin 2

[DATE]

**Re:** **Request for independent status**

**Person ID: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am Mr XXX, an XXX national resident in the State on the basis of my de facto relationship with an Irish national since [DATE].

I arrived in the state in [DATE] on the basis of a partner of an Irish citizen D visa, to join my partner, Ms XXX. My relationship with Ms XXX has since broken down, and I have presented to my local GNIB office in order to inform them of same. My partner, Ms XXX, has refused to present with me at the GNIB office in order to renew my immigration permission. When I presented at the GNIB office, I was advised to write to your office in order to request permission to renew my immigration permission independent of my Irish citizen partner.

My relationship with Ms XXX has been difficult for a period of time. Ms XXX has been violent with me on a number of occasions, and I have presented to my local GP and reported the abuse to the Gardai. I have left the residence I shared with Ms XXX, and am currently staying with friends. I have obtained a Protection Order in respect of Ms XXX, and am awaiting a hearing to obtain a Safety Order. The hearing is scheduled for [DATE].

I would be grateful if your office would consider authorising my residence independent of my partner. I am currently in employment, however my current immigration permission expires on [DATE] and I am anxious to resolve my immigration status as soon as possible so that I can continue working and supporting myself.

Please see enclosed:

1. Copy of protection order, dated: [DATE];
2. Copy of letter detailing scheduled hearing for a safety order, dated [DATE];
3. Copy of GP letter;
4. Copy of Garda report;
5. Copy of my p60;
6. Copy of recent payslips;
7. Letter from my employer, dated [DATE];
8. Copy of my current GNIB card;
9. Copy of my current in date national passport, passport no.: \_\_\_\_\_\_, date of expiry: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_;

Thank you in advance for your time and kind consideration. Please acknowledge receipt of same. Should you require any additional information or documentation please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

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Mr XXX