

# Visa Evaluation Questionnaire for Bureaucrats

## Section 1: Visa Rejection Criteria

1. **In your experience, what are the most common red flags that lead to a visa application being rejected?**

*(Please check all that apply or elaborate.)*

- ☐ Incomplete documentation
- ☐ Suspicious financial records or unexplained funds
- ☐ Lack of clear purpose for visit
- ☐ Inconsistent or contradictory statements
- ☐ Doubts about applicant's return intention (e.g., weak ties to home country)
- ☐ Previous visa violations or overstays
- ☐ Fake or unverifiable documents
- ☐ Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Are there specific indicators you look for when evaluating whether an applicant is likely to overstay or violate visa terms?**

*[Open-ended]*

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3. **How much do external factors (e.g., applicant's country of origin, political climate, bilateral agreements) influence your judgment?**

*(Optional elaboration encouraged)*

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## Section 2: Evaluating Visa Application Summaries

4. What do you consider most valuable in a summary or cover letter accompanying visa documents?

*(Rank the following from 1 (most important) to 5 (least important))*

- ☐ Clarity and brevity
- ☐ Logical structure and presentation
- ☐ Honest mention of possible weaknesses
- ☐ Precise reference to supporting documents
- ☐ Strong articulation of purpose and intent

5. What common mistakes weaken an otherwise good summary or document package?

*[Open-ended]*

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6. Do you find a short personal statement (1 page) helpful in understanding the applicant's motivation, or is it rarely necessary?

- ☐ Always helpful
- ☐ Sometimes helpful
- ☐ Not necessary
- ☐ Depends on the visa category
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Final Comments (Optional)

7. If you could give one piece of advice to applicants preparing their documents, what would it be?

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