Ways and Options to Prove the Authenticity of a Relationship Between Partners:

All evidence must be from at least 300 days prior to the birth of the eldest child.

Strong Evidence Includes:

- A residential lease or property purchase agreement that includes the names of both partners.
- Joint accounts or bills: bank account statements, utility bills (internet, phone, electricity, etc.), or tax payments all showing the names of both partners and dated accordingly.
- A legally recognized partnership agreement (some countries legally recognize domestic partnerships; in Israel, the Family Court recognizes couples as "common-law spouses").
- Joint insurance policies: life insurance, home insurance, or any other policy that includes both partners' names.

These types of evidence are considered strong documentation of a genuine relationship.

Additional Supporting Evidence May Include:

- Joint photographs with visible dates (available on mobile phones and digital cameras).
- Financial transfers between separate bank accounts held by each partner.
- Shared memberships in cultural or sports institutions (e.g., theaters, gyms).
- Declarations by Israeli acquaintances who know the couple together. These declarations do not need to be notarized but must include a copy of the declarant's ID and contact details.
- Evidence of joint travel: boarding passes, flight tickets.
- Joint hotel, vacation rental, or Airbnb bookings.
- Purchase receipts showing both partners' names.
- Any additional document that may be required at the discretion of the Consul, based on the specific circumstances of the case.

Submission Requirements Based on the Strength of Evidence:

- If you provide **two strong pieces of evidence**, you must submit at least **two additional** items from the supplementary list.
- If you provide **one strong piece of evidence**, you must submit at least **four additional** items from the supplementary list.
- If you do **not** have any strong evidence, you must submit at least **five** supplementary items.
- You may also include additional documentation not listed above.

<u>Please note:</u> The Consul may request additional documents on the day of the appointment.

