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Dear Mr/Ms Johnson

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 2000 – 2015/145

Your request for information was received on 11 August 2015 and handled under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 2000. It is reproduced below for your reference:

“Similar in format to this undergraduate admission breakdown created by the University of Edinburgh (http://www.ed.ac.uk/polopoly_fs/1.104225!/fileManager/2012%20for%20web.pdf), I would like the University of Bath to reproduce a similar document for its departments for 2012, 2013 and 2014 entry.

If not possible due to the financial limit imposed by the FOI act or any other reason, I would like a document produced for only 2014 entry broken down by fee status (Home UK, EU, International).”

Section 1(1) usually entitles you to be told whether the requested information is held and have that information provided to you unless it is judged to be exempt from disclosure. The University is able to provide you with the requested information in the spreadsheet that accompanies this letter. Where small numbers are concerned (see note 5 to data), the University has withheld exact figures as personal information under section 40(2) of the FOIA. The University considers that disclosing these figures (in conjunction with other information held by or known by the University) would enable the identification of individuals (for example whether a particular individual received an offer or not). The University considers that this would breach the first data principle (fair/lawful processing). In reaching this conclusion the University is mindful of the schedule 2 of the Data Protection Act, which describes when processing of personal information would be fair and/or lawful. The relevant schedule 2 conditions that apply in this instance in determining whether disclosure would be fair are condition 1 (consent) and condition 6 (which requires consideration of the legitimate interests in disclosure in relation to prejudice to any legitimate interests or rights of the data subjects that disclosure would cause). Individuals concerned have not consented to this personal information being disclosed. Moreover the University considers that disclosure would cause an unwarranted intrusion to the privacy and rights of these affected individuals who would not have had the expectation that this information would be released into the public domain in this context.

If you are dissatisfied with any aspect of how your request was handled you may ask the University to conduct an internal review. A request for an internal review must be submitted within 40 working days of receipt by you of this response. Requests received outside this period will only be considered at the University's discretion and where there is a valid reason to do so. Applications for internal review should be addressed in writing to:

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or e-mail M.G.W.Humphriss@bath.ac.uk.

If you still feel dissatisfied following the outcome of the internal review you may appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO):

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Further details of this process are available via the following link:

<https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

Please note that the Information Commissioner will only consider appeals once the internal review process has been completed.

Yours sincerely

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