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Dear Mr Lee

Request for Information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 2000 – 2022/090

Your request was received on 5th April 2022 and has been handled under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 2000.

Section 1(1)(a)(b) 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. Details of the request text are reproduced below, together with the formal response provided by the University of Bath.

Request:

I would like to request, for the 2018-2019, 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 application years, the following fields of data for schools in Singapore:

- (a) the number of applications for undergraduate courses, regardless of course, received from students in these schools, broken down by school;
- (b) the number of offers for undergraduate courses, regardless of course, given to students of these schools, broken down by school; and
- (c) the number of offers for undergraduate courses, regardless of course, accepted by students of these schools, broken down by school,

for the following list of Singaporean schools:

- (i) Anderson Serangoon Junior College;
- (ii) Anglo-Chinese Junior College;
- (iii) Anglo-Chinese School (Independent);
- (iv) Catholic Junior College;
- (v) Dunman High School;
- (vi) Eunoia Junior College;
- (vii) Hwa Chong Institution;
- (viii) Jurong Pioneer Junior College;
- (ix) Millennia Institute;
- (x) Nanyang Junior College;
- (xi) National Junior College;
- (xii) National University of Singapore (NUS) High School of Math and Science;
- (xiii) Raffles Institution;
- (xiv) River Valley High School;

(xv) School of the Arts Singapore;
(xvi) Singapore Sports School;
(xvii) St. Andrew's Junior College;
(xviii) St. Joseph's Institution;
(xix) Tampines Meridian Junior College;
(xx) Temasek Junior College;
(xxi) Victoria Junior College;
(xxii) Yishun Innova Junior College;
(xxiii) Nanyang Polytechnic;
(xxiv) Ngee Ann Polytechnic;
(xxv) Republic Polytechnic;
(xxvi) Singapore Polytechnic and
(xxvii) Temasek Polytechnic.

Response:

Please see attached. Please note that in respect of (xiii) Raffles Institution, information has been provided for "Raffles Junior College, Singapore".

Information has been exempted by virtue of s40(2), full details below.

S40(2) Personal Information

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires the University of Bath, when refusing to provide information by way of a specific exemption, to specify the exemption in question and state why it applies. In this case, figures that are less than five have been exempted by virtue of s40(2), Personal Information.

Section 40(2) of FOIA provides that information is exempt from disclosure if it is the personal data of an individual other than the requester and where one of the conditions listed in section 40(3A)(3B) or 40(4A) is satisfied. In this case the relevant condition is contained in section 40(3A)(a)(i).

S40(3A)(a) applies where the disclosure of the information to any member of the public would contravene any of the principles relating to the processing of personal as set out in Article 5 of the General Data Protection Regulation and section 34(1) of the Data Protection Act 2018.

Disclosure of withheld information in this case would breach the first data protection principle: lawful, fair and transparent processing.

On this occasion, the University of Bath considers that disclosure of further details around the cases would present sufficient risk that individuals might be identified by the cross-referencing of requested data with other information held or otherwise known by a motivated individual.

The University of Bath considers that disclosure would potentially reveal personal data relating to identifiable individuals. The likelihood of this is increased due to the small numbers involved and release therefore, would constitute a breach of the first data protection principle, lawful, fair and transparent processing as set out in Article 5(1) of the GDPR

The individuals covered by the scope of this request have not consented to disclosure under FOI into the public domain and have a legitimate privacy expectation that their personal information be appropriately protected.

Complaint Rights:

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 emailed to: The Freedom of Information Team, freedom-of-information@bath.ac.uk or addressed in writing to University of Bath, Claverton Down, Bath, BA2 7AY.

If you remain dissatisfied you may appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF. Further details of this process are available via the following link: <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/official-information-concerns-report/official-information-concern/> Please note that the Information Commissioner will only consider appeals once the internal review process has been completed.

Yours sincerely



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