Reasons for refusal of information requests under Part 2 of the Code (Requests concluded in April - June 2016)

Public agency	Number of times the exemption provisions in Part 2 are cited (Note)															
	Para. 2.3	Para. 2.4	Para. 2.5	Para. 2.6	Para. 2.7	Para. 2.8	Para. 2.9	Para. 2.10	Para. 2.11	Para. 2.12	Para. 2.13	Para. 2.14	Para. 2.15	Para. 2.16	Para. 2.17	Para. 2.18
Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation				2			2									
Department				Z			Z									
Architectural Services Department	1											1				
Buildings Department				1								1	1			
Customs and Excise Department				1												3
Department of Health				1								2				
Development Bureau												1				
Education Bureau												1				
Environment Bureau/Environmental Protection												1	1			
Department												1	1			
Fire Services Department												3				
Highways Department											1					
Home Affairs Department													2			
Hong Kong Police Force										1						1
Immigration Department													1			
Inland Revenue Department																1
Labour Department				1								2	1			
Leisure and Cultural Services Department								1			1					
Marine Department													1			
Office of the Communications Authority														1		
Planning Department				1												
Radio Television Hong Kong												1				
Registration and Electoral Office							1					1				
Social Welfare Deparrtment				2												

Note

Para. 2.3 is concerned with Defence and security

Para. 2.4 is concerned with External affairs

Para. 2.5 is concerned with Nationality, immigration and consular matters

Para. 2.6 is concerned with Law enforcement, legal proceedings and public safety

Para. 2.7 is concerned with Damage to the environment

Para. 2.8 is concerned with Management of the economy

Para. 2.9 is concerned with Management and operation of the public service

Para. 2.10 is concerned with Internal discussion and advice

Para. 2.11 is concerned with Public employment and public appointments

Para. 2.12 is concerned with Improper gain or advantage

Para. 2.13 is concerned with Research, statistics and analysis

Para. 2.14 is concerned with Third party information

Para. 2.15 is concerned with Privacy of the individual

Para. 2.16 is concerned with Business affairs

Para. 2.17 is concerned with Premature requests

Para. 2.18 is concerned with Legal restrictions

The above statistics reflect the reasons cited by agencies in decisions to refuse information requests made under the Code; possible reviews of the decisions are not captured. As there may be more than one reason to refuse a request, the total number of times the exemption provisions are cited may exceed the total number of refused requests.

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