

**Reasons for refusal of information requests under Part 2 of the Code
(Requests concluded in January - March 2020)**

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
Architectural Services Department				1							1			2		
Buildings Department				2								1	1			
Chief Executive's Office		4					1									
Civil Aviation Department												2				
Correctional Services Department				2								4				
Department of Justice									1							1
Education Bureau							1						1			1
Fire Services Department				1										1		
Food and Environmental Hygiene Department												1				
Home Affairs Department												2				
Hong Kong Housing Authority/Housing Department				1				1					1			
Hong Kong Police Force				8				3		1			1	4		
Independent Commission Against Corruption				1												
Inland Revenue Department																3
Lands Department									1							
Offices of the Chief Secretary for Administration and the Financial Secretary		1														
Post Office								1								
Security Bureau		1														
Social Welfare Department				1				1				4	2			
University Grants Committee Secretariat									2							
Water Supplies Department				1								2				
Total	0	6	0	18	0	0	8	3	2	0	1	17	9	3	0	5

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.