Dear [Name],

Please find herewith your draft with some track changes proposed by EPSO. It also contains a comment as to the adding of the derogation "lex specialis derogat lex generalis".

First of all, there is no document that contains all the data/information the applicant is requesting. Apart from some details, most of the information/data he is requesting exists but not only is it spread over at least two databases/IT systems but moreover, extracting the information would require the creation of specific queries. We have tried to explain this in the draft.

I will try to explain, for your information, a bit more in detail the different elements he is looking for.

candidate ID: in order to completely anonymise the data, we would have to make sure that it is impossible to create a link between the ID and the real candidate. This would require we anonymise the data in a certain way, which given the fact that the different tables he requests need to use the same candidate ID depending on the candidate, would involve an additional processing operation of the data.

question ID: this indeed exists, it is called an item number and it is the same for all the language versions of a same question.

question type and language: this is stored in the data base as well

neutralized: this information comes from another IT tool as neutralisation is done under the responsibility of the Selection Board and the results are uploaded in another IT tool

effective answer + time spent: this information is stored

given answer: [Redacted].

Please let me know if you need more clarification/information.

Kind regards,

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Dear [name],

I think this competition will give us a lot of work.

Please find enclosed a draft reply (request devoid of purpose) that I would like you to check carefully. As I am not familiar with the details of EPSO procedures and I have not seen the kind of documents that you extract from the data-base in order to prepare the questions or check the result of candidates (eventually the tables that you provide to the Selection Boards with the results) it is difficult to evaluate his assumptions that the documents he seek to obtain exist.

I have worked on the basis of your initial reply and EPSO mail to us today and argued that there is no existing document that contains fully or partially the information he is looking for. I would like to obtain confirmation from EPSO.

If not please let us know.

My HoU would like to sign this tomorrow morning before he leaves ([time]). If you think you cannot take position rapidly as you need to check with technical experts please let me know. I prefer to make him patience than to give a wrong answer.

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Thanks in advance