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Dear [REDACTED]

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (ref: FOI\_15-260)**

Thank you for your request of 02 December 2015 for the following information:

- 1) *How many religious societies have been registered at this university in each academic year from 2005-2015?*
- 2) *Please name, and give the religious denomination, of every society that has been registered at this university in each academic year from 2005-2015.*
- 3) *How many students have been registered to each society in each academic year from 2005-2015?*
- 4) *How many university students, attached to a religious society, have been arrested in each academic year from 2005-2015, and what for?*
- 5) *How many students, attached to a religious society, have been charged in each academic year from 2005-2015, under the Terrorism Act?*

Our response is as follows:

UEA student clubs and societies are funded and managed by the Union of UEA students<sup>1</sup>, which is a separate legal body to the University and is not covered by the Freedom of Information Act.

The University exercises no control over the Union's management of its clubs and societies. With regard to questions 1, 2 and 3, the University holds no recorded information on the number, religious denomination or membership of any religious societies managed by the Student Union over the requested time period. As we hold no information on our students' membership of any Student Union society we do not hold information relevant to questions 4 and 5.

Therefore, in line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm that the University does not hold any of the information requested.

We hope this information explains our position, however if you are not satisfied you have the right of appeal against this response. If you wish to appeal, please set out in writing your reasons for appealing and send to the above address. You must appeal within 60 calendar days of the date of this letter. Any appeal received after that date

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.ueastudent.com/societies>

will not be considered nor acknowledged. This policy has been reviewed and approved by the Information Commissioner's Office.

You also have a subsequent right of appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office. Further information is available on their website:

[https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact\\_us](https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us), or by telephone on 0303 123 1113.

Please quote our reference given at the head of this letter in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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