From: FOI

**Sent:** <u>15 December 2017 14:18</u>

To:

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**Subject:** FOI 194/17 EU Nationals - Response

Dear ,

Our Ref: FOI 194/17

Thank you for your email to the Electoral Commission dated 11 December 2017.

The Commission aims to respond to requests for information promptly and has done so within the statutory timeframe of twenty working days.

Your request is in bold below followed by our response.

I am requesting the number of EU nationals register to vote on the electoral list by:

Local authority

Region

Constituency

Our response is as follows:

We hold some of the information you have requested although the original data was provided by the Office for National Statistics.

The attached file has the data by parliamentary constituency and, based on our understanding of the ONS data, the information you requested is in column U (COL 14).

I trust that this information satisfies your request. The Commission strives to be an open, transparent authority.

If you are not satisfied with this response, please note that the Commission operates a review procedure, details of which can be found on the Commission website at: <a href="http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/about-us/freedom-of-information-requests/how-do-I-make-an-foi-request">http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/about-us/freedom-of-information-requests/how-do-I-make-an-foi-request</a>

Please also note that if you have exhausted all internal Commission review procedures and you are still not satisfied you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner. Details of this procedure can be found on the ICO website: <a href="https://ico.org.uk/">https://ico.org.uk/</a>

Yours sincerely,

Information Management Adviser

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Following advice from SDC, this file should not be sent out to anyone with the complete data as it is.

There are potential disclosure issues as follows:

**Voluntary Patients:** Data on Voluntary Patients should be combined with Ordinary Residence Qualifications (for both total electors and attainers).

If data is requested i.e for a PQ then it should be provided at GOR level only

**Anonymous Electors**: Data on Anonymous Electors, collected on RPF29 forms, should be removed from this file before sending out If data is requested i.e for a PQ then it should be provided at GOR level only

Overseas Electors: A value of 0 should be shown for all areas with cell values of 3 or fewer

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