DISCUSSION

The plan to commemorate the move to the Diliman campus is an admirable endeavor. [Redacted] motives for the requested information are commendable as it honors and preserves our University's rich history.

Information regulated by the data privacy act

The Data Privacy Act of 2012 regulates processing of *personal information*. The inverse of this is that the Data Privacy Act does not prohibit [Redacted] from providing non-personal information to [Redacted].

Personal information are those information which can singly or collectively be used to reasonably ascertain the identity of an individual. These include the names, addresses and other identifying information of individuals. Non-personal information are those which do

The purpose of using the information must be specific

In case [Redacted] and/or [Redacted] decides to reach out to house awardees to obtain their consent, the house awardees must be informed of the *specific* purposes for the prospective *use* of their personal information.

Under the Data Privacy Act, personal information may only be processed for a *specified* purpose. Understandably, [Redacted] preparations for the Diliman Arts Month in February 2019 are still in its preliminary stages to be specific enough to indicate the precise purposes of the use of the requested information. Currently, [Redacted] purpose in requesting for the information is to "conceptualize the different components of the month-long celebration". This purpose is too broad and general; it is not specific enough for the house awardees to know what precise uses of their information they are consenting to.¹

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