

## **Executive Order on FOI**





MALACAÑAN PALACE MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 02

OPERATIONALIZING IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH THE PEOPLE'S CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO INFORMATION AND THE STATE POLICIES OF FULL PUBLIC DISCLOSURE AND TRANSPARENCY IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND PROVIDING GUIDELINES THEREFOR



## "INFORMATION"

- Records
- Documents
- Papers
- Reports
- Letters
- Contracts
- Minutes of Meetings
- Maps
- Books
- Photographs

- Data
- Research
   Materials
- Films
- Sound and Video Recording
- Magnetic or other tapes
- Electronic Data
- ComputerStored Data







## The FOI Exceptions List

Office of the President of the Philippines Malacanang

### MEMORANDUM FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

TO: All Heads of Departments, Bureaus and Agencies of the

National/Local Governments Including Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), Government Financial

Institutions (GFIs), and All Others Concerned

SUBJECT: INVENTORY OF EXCEPTIONS TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2

(S. 2016)

DATE: 24 November 2016



## **List of Exceptions**

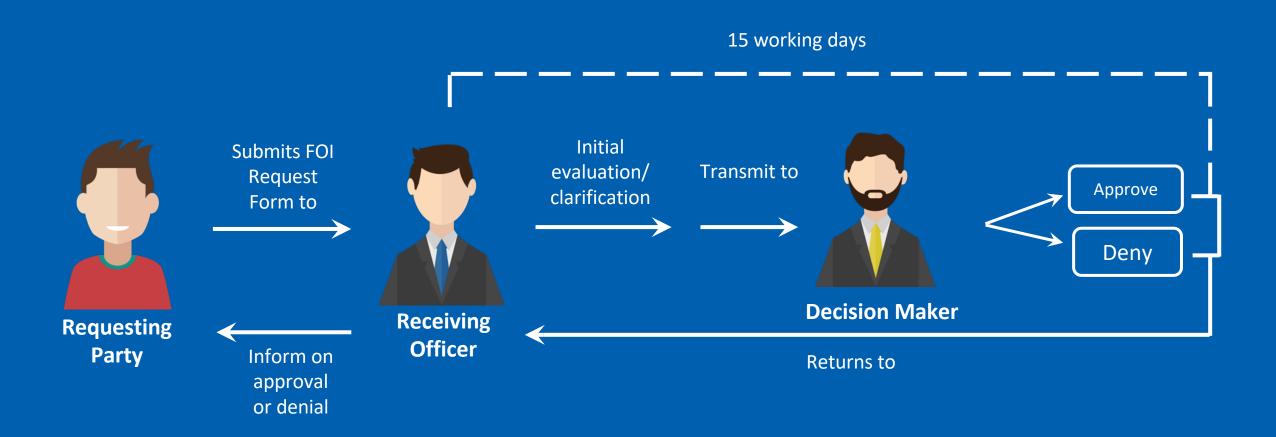
- 1. Information covered by Executive Privilege
- 2. National Security, Defense or International Relations
- 3. Law Enforcement & Protection of Public & Personal Safety
- 4. Confidential Information for the Protection of Privacy of Persons

- 5. Confidential Information by reason of official capacity
- 6. Prejudicial Premature Disclosure
- 7. Records of Proceedings
- 8. Confidential Information under banking and finance laws
- 9. Other exceptions under laws, jurisprudence, and IRR

## **Regular FOI Process Flow**



Government Legal Documents, Statistics, Datasets, Research Data, Contracts, Reports

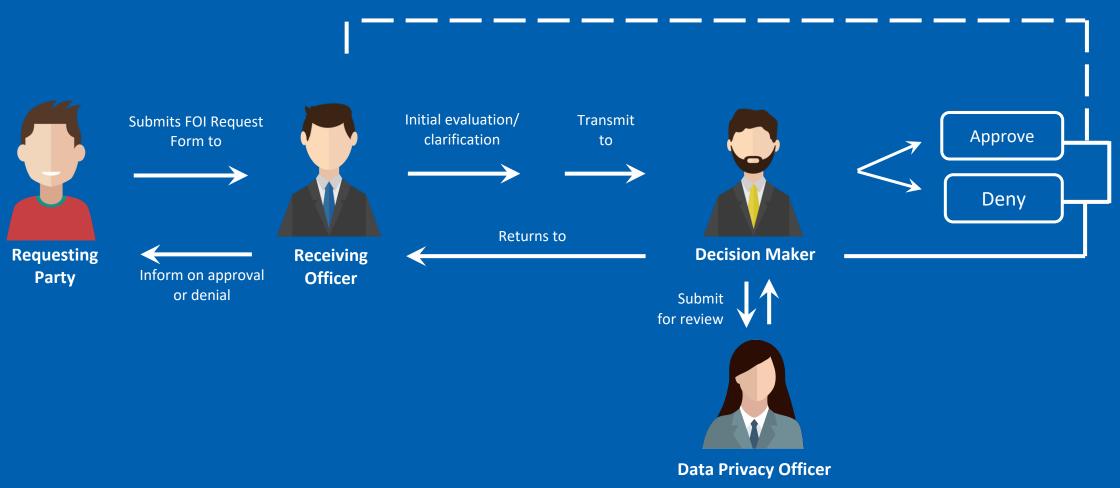


# Process Flow Involving Sensitive Personal Information



Personal Data Sheets, Curriculum Vitae

15 working days







## **RULE OF THUMB**

- ✓ Upon getting an FOI request for a document which contains personal information, check whether the purpose stated by the requestor is not contrary to law, morals, public policy and public order.
- ✓ Next, check whether the same may be disclosed under E.O. 2, s. 2016, the law, including the Data Privacy Act of 2012, other rules and regulations issued by government agencies and regulators, and jurisprudence.
- ✓ Disclose what is only allowed, necessary and relative to the purpose stated.
- ✓ When in doubt, apply the Public Interest Test.



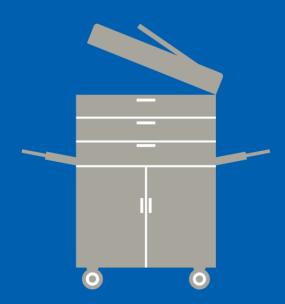
## FOI Memorandum Circular No. 4, s. 2019

# METHODS OF REDACTING INFORMATION MANUALLY

- Use of Marker
- Corrective Tape
- Digital Redaction



# EXTRACTION OF INFORMATION FROM DOCUMENTS







Scanner



Retyping of Documents



### **EXAMPLE #1**



# Request for Identification of COVID-19 Positive Patients

### Data Privacy Act applies:

To protect the identity and safety of the patient

#### **PATIENT DATA**



**Patient Number:** IC-9822

Age: I

**Gender:** Male

Address:

#### **SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:**

Asymptomatic

#### **TRAVEL HISTORY:**

None

#### **EXPOSURE:**

IN-C73



EXAMPLE #2



## **List of SAP Beneficiaries**

**Public interest and FOI prevails:** 

Publish list of beneficiaries





## **EXAMPLE #3**



# **CAMP/AKAP/TUPAD Application Status**

**Not an FOI request**, but a data subject request which falls under the Anti-Red Tape Act (ARTA)



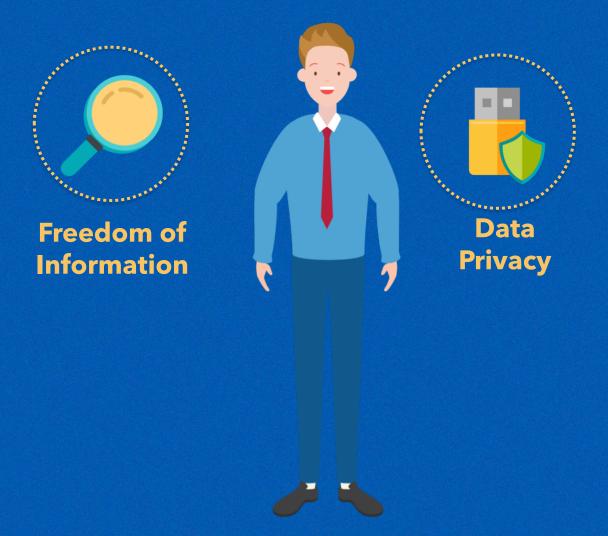








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## **Countries**

where Data Privacy and FOI are handled by one office



### **FOI** Announcements

2020
Freedom of Information Summit



### Social Media Pages

