University of the Philippines Diliman DATA PROTECTION TEAM

MEMORANDUM

Reference No. DPT 18-10		
FOR	:	
SUBJECT	:	Treatment of SET Results
DATE	:	14 May 2018

Dear

We respond to your inquiry whether Student Evaluation of Teachers (SET) results are considered as sensitive personal information.

The Data Privacy Act of 2012^1 protects personal information, sensitive personal information and privileged information.

Personal information are those which can singly or cumulatively ascertain the identity of an individual. Sensitive personal information is a subset of personal information specifically enumerated under the law. This type of information is provided a higher degree of protection of its potential to damage or discriminate against an individual. Privileged information are those which are intended only for a specific recipient.²

SET results are not sensitive personal information because it does not fall under any of the classes of information enumerated by the law to be such. However, it is personal information which should not be shared, accesses or used without the prior informed consent of the person to whom the results pertain to.³ Such consent must be given to a declared, specified, and legitimate purpose of processing the SET results.⁴

Yours,

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¹Republic Act No. 10173.

²Data Privacy Act of 2012, Section 3.

³*Idem*, Section 12.

⁴ Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Data Privacy Act of 2012, Section 19(a).