

Request Ref: 2720

FOI Request dated **21/09/2022** as follows –

- 1) *Please tell me how many complaints you have received relating to alleged **nefarious activity** by individuals working at the Confucius Institute on your campus between 2017 and the date of this email. Please break down the number of complaints by the year in which the complaint was lodged and whether it was made by a) current/former students, b) university staff/contractors or c) people unaffiliated with the university*

NOTE: By "nefarious activity", I'm looking for a broad range of complaints, ranging from any kind of criminal activity to censorship and suppression of debate about current affairs in China and monitoring of Chinese students on campus.

- 2) *Please tell me how many complaints you have received relating to **poor teaching quality** at the Confucius Institute on your campus between 2017 and the date of this email. Please break down the number of complaints by the year in which the complaint was lodged and whether it was made by a) current/former students or b) university staff/contractors*

NOTE: By "poor teaching quality", I'm looking for complaints that could range from teacher absenteeism to students feeling they were treated unfairly by teachers. Please include incidents of alleged censorship (e.g. in lesson materials relating to Taiwan or other sensitive topics) in question 1 above.

- 3) *For the 10 most recently recorded complaints uncovered by questions 1 and 2 above, please provide a summary of the allegations made against the Confucius Institute. If it was a written complaint, please provide me with a copy while redacting any details that would otherwise trigger a Section 40 exemption. Please state what if any action was taken by the university in response to each of the complaints.*

Response

No complaints, therefore no information held.