GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

Corporate Management Our ref: MGLA290715-1133

Date: 18 September 2015

Dear

Freedom of Information request

Please accept our apologies for the delay in responding to your Freedom of Information request of 28 July.

You asked for:

"All correspondence (emails and letters) between Boris Johnson and/or Munira Mirza and representatives of Bloomberg and/or Bloomberg Philanthropies, including Michael Bloomberg, between April 2014 to April 2015."

Following searches with the Mayor's Office and Munira Mirza and her office, please find attached information held by the Greater London Authority which falls within scope of your request.

We have made some minor redactions to withhold names of junior staff, the contact details of various individuals, and to also remove information which is not relevant or within scope of your request. Theses redactions have been under section 40(2) of the Act which states:

- (2) Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information *if-*
 - (a) it constitutes personal data which do not fall within subsection (1), and
 - (b) either the first or second condition below is satisfied.

The section 40 exemption is absolute and is not subject to the public interest test. In this instance, the relevant condition that applies is section 40(2) whereby the information is defined as personal data within Section 1(1)(a) of the Data Protection Act 1998. As we have not received consent of the data subjects, release of the requested information at this time would contravene the first data principle under Schedule 2(1) of the Data Protection Act, in that it would constitute unfair processing of their data.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, ensuring that you quote the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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Information Governance Officer

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