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ILLUSTRATIVE DATASETS, SOURCES, AND TIMING CONSIDERATIONS FOR OPEN ELECTION DATA

Process	Possible Data Sets	Likely Data Source(s)	Timing considerations
Legal Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consolidated laws and amendments EMB regulations and instructions Judicial challenges to electoral code 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constitution Legislature and Executive Office EMB Judiciary 	Static and available early in the electoral cycle except for updates and amendments
Electoral Boundaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maps Spatial data Population data Voter registration data Demographic data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legal Framework EMB Legislature Census/Statistics Bureau Interior Ministry/Geological Survey Boundary authority 	Static and available early in the electoral cycle except for pending legal challenges
Election Management Body and Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EMB administrative structure and division of labor Appointment process Leadership profile and staff qualifications/ requirements at all levels Composition information (party affiliation if partisan) Staff training schedule and materials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EMB Legal framework 	Some static data available early but some generated closer to election day
Election Management Body Processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EMB decisions, resolutions, meeting minutes, and notifications Election regulations Electoral calendar EMB budget data EMB procurement data Accreditation procedures Election evaluations/reports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EMB Legislature/budgetary body 	Some data will be relatively static, however much will be variable and generated continuously, requiring regular collection and analysis

Election Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rules and parameters for security forces • Deployment plans for security forces • Data regarding security breaches and incidents of election violence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Legal framework • Security forces 	Most data will be continuous and variable, requiring regular collection and analysis
Political Party Registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Party application data, including party applicants total, which were accepted and rejected by the EMB and reasons for rejection • Rules and requirements for nomination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Legal framework 	Complete and static data-sets will be generated following completion of the process
Ballot Qualification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete information on nomination requirements, rules, procedures, and appeals process • List of candidate applicants with party affiliation, age, gender and any available demographic information applied • Names of nomination signatories for each candidate/ number of nomination signatures • Candidates rejected (with justifications) • Appeals filed and those accepts and rejected (with justifications) • Final candidate list with party, age, gender, etc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Legal framework • Judiciary/appeals court 	Complete and static data-sets will be generated following completion of the process
Election Campaigns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campaign regulations • Campaign codes of conduct • Timetable for official election campaigns • Data on media allocations • Campaign violations • Rally permitting • Allocation of public resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Security forces 	Process will occur close to election day; data will be variable and generated continuously until campaign period ends

Campaign Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campaign finance limits and regulations • Donation data • Expenditures data (date, purpose, amount, and recipient) • Allocations of public resources to each candidate/party • Reporting and disclosure data • Oversight and monitoring data • Sanctions and appeals data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Legal framework 	Process will occur close to election day; data will be variable and generated continuously until filing and reporting deadlines
Voter Registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voter registration calendar and rules and regulations • Voter registration center list • Voter list exhibition locations (where applicable) • Exhibition period appeals and challenges data (where applicable) • Voter registration list and/or statistics (former and current) with age, gender, locations, party (if applicable), demographic data when possible • Population and demographic data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Census/Statistics bureau 	Complete and static datasets will be generated following the registration and appeals deadline
Voter Lists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voter registration list • Vital statistics • Civil registry information (if applicable) • Appeals, challenges, and updates data (where applicable) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB 	Complete and static datasets will be generated following the registration and appeals deadline
Voter Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voter education materials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Information ministry 	Data will be variable and generated continuously, requiring regular collection
Polling Stations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polling station list with information on # voters per station, staff, location, disaggregated stream/booth information (if applicable) • Maps/spatial data • Population and demographic data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Census/statistics bureau 	Process will likely occur closer to election day; complete and static dataset will be generated following completion

Election Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Granular and disaggregated results data • Voter turnout • Absentee ballot requests • Overseas voting data (when applicable) • Complaints and challenges filed • Audit data (when applicable) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Judiciary/elections court 	Data available on or immediately follow election day; should be complete and static datasets except for complaints/challenges
Electronic Voting & Counting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Granular and disaggregated results data • Procurement and budget data • Source codes for voting/counting machines • Voting machine audit data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Legislature/budget body 	Mix of process-based dataset and pre-existing or static data
Electoral Complaints, Disputes and Resolution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complaint resolution process information • Complaints and challenges filed • Complaint resolution data (investigations, fines, outcomes of charges and appeals filed) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMB • Legal framework • Judiciary/elections court 	Data will be variable and generated continuously until court filing deadlines and official results announced

ASSESSMENT FORMS

LEGAL FRAMEWORK		
	Question	Explain
General		
1	Is the electoral framework, including the election code and any amendments, consolidated at the national level?	
2	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing the legal framework from the government?	
3	What government body (or bodies) is responsible for maintaining and disseminating election framework information?	
4	Does any government data exist regarding the legislative, judicial, or public debate in determining the election law(s) or subsequent amendments?	
Timely		
5	Is there any reason why the legal framework may not be available at present?	
6	Are there any challenges to the electoral framework that could alter the data? If so, what is the estimated timeline to rule on those challenges?	
7	If the electoral law drafting or reform process is currently ongoing, how long does the responsible body predict it will take?	
8	When will non-legal regulatory data be available, such as Codes of Conduct or procedural information?	

9	Do you anticipate receiving electoral framework data with enough time to analyze it and report findings while they are still relevant? For instance, in time to include it in planned pre-election statements?	
10	Will data regarding any challenges to the legal framework (if applicable) be made available in a consolidated format?	
Granularity		
11	What level of detail will legal framework information include? For instance, specified amendments or court cases?	
Availability		
12	What is the likelihood that all electoral framework data will be available for free on the internet? Will at least some data be available online?	
13	If some data is not available for free on the internet, where can you find it?	
14	Will any data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
15	Do you have to pay for access to any electoral framework data?	
Completeness		
16	Will all data comprising the election legal framework be made available together (for instance, party laws, constitution, election, code, court cases)? If not, why not?	
17	If separate or additional state or local laws exist that impact the election framework, are they all available?	
Analyzable		
18	In what format will electoral framework data be available? Is this machine readable?	
Non-Proprietary		
19	Is there any proprietary software associated with the electoral framework data?	

Non-Discriminatory

20	Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain electoral framework data?	
21	Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to electoral framework information but not others? If so, why?	

Licensing

22	Are there any prescribed limits to using electoral framework information that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?	
23	Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing electoral framework information? If so, what and by whom?	

Permanently Available

24	Is electoral framework information available at all times, even in a non-election year?	
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ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES

	Question	Explain
General		
1	Is electoral boundary data centralized at the national level? If not, at what sub-national level(s) is it consolidated?	
2	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing electoral boundary data from the government?	
3	What government body (or bodies) is responsible for maintaining and disseminating electoral boundary information?	
4	Are the following pieces of information available: 1) approved and final boundary maps, 2) population data for each electoral constituency, 3) determined number of representatives for each constituency (particularly in the case of multi-member districts)? If not, what is not available and why?	
5	Does any government data exist regarding the legislative or public debate in determining electoral boundaries (if applicable)?	
6	Can you acquire other supplemental data, such as demographic voter registration or census data and other geographic/spatial data to help verify and analyze boundary data? If so, when and how?	
Timely		
7	Is there any reason why electoral boundary data would not be available immediately?	
8	Are there any challenges to electoral boundaries that could alter the data? If so, what is the estimated timeline to rule on those challenges?	
9	If the boundary delimitation process is currently ongoing, how long does the responsible body predict it will take?	
10	Do you anticipate receiving electoral boundary data with enough time to analyze it and report findings while they are still relevant? For instance, in time to include it in planned pre-election statements?	

11	Will data regarding any challenges to electoral boundaries or the delimitation process be made available in a consolidated format following the appeals process? Or simply reported as they occur?	
Granularity		
12	What level of detail will electoral constituency maps include? For instance, GPS coordinates?	
13	What level of detail will electoral constituency population data include?	
Availability		
14	What is the likelihood that all electoral boundary data will be available for free on the internet? Will at least some data be available online?	
15	If some data is not available for free on the internet, where can you find it?	
16	Will any data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
17	Do you have to pay for access to any electoral boundary data?	
Completeness		
18	Will data regarding all electoral constituencies be made available together (for instance, in the case of multiple legislative houses or local/state/national elections)? If not, why not?	
19	Will data regarding any challenges to electoral boundaries or the delimitation process be in a consolidated format? Or reported by individual instances?	
Analyzable		
20	In what format will electoral boundary data be available? Is this machine readable?	
21	In what format will constituency population data and political representation be available? Is this machine readable?	

Non-Proprietary		
22	Is there any proprietary software associated with the electoral boundary data?	
Non-Discriminatory		
23	Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain electoral boundary data?	
24	Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to electoral boundary information but not others? If so, why?	
Licensing		
25	Are there any prescribed limits to using electoral boundary data that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?	
26	Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing electoral boundary data? If so, what and by whom?	
Permanently Available		
27	Are you able to access electoral boundary data from previous elections? If not, why not?	
28	Will access to electoral boundary data during this election "expire" at any time?	
29	What happens to electoral boundary data in the case of new redistricting?	

EMB AND EMB ADMINISTRATION

	Question	Explain
General		
1	Is EMB composition information, including staff and representatives at the local level, consolidated at the national level? If not, what subnational levels and bodies may have composition information?	
2	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing EMB composition information?	
3	Are the following pieces of information available: 1) EMB staff qualifications, criteria and job descriptions, 2) profile information of EMB leadership, 3) organizational and staffing information of EMB from national to local level, including polling place staff? If not, what is not available and why?	
4	Does any government data exist regarding the legislative or public debate in determining approving EMB leadership (if applicable)?	
Timely		
5	Is there any reason why EMB composition information may not be available immediately?	
6	Are changes to EMB composition notified publicly?	
7	Are there any legal challenges to the EMB composition that could alter the data? If so, what is the estimated timeline to rule on those challenges?	
8	What is the timeline for recruiting polling station staff and when is polling station personnel data available?	
Granularity		
9	What level of detail will EMB composition information include? For instance, contact details, profiles, gender and/or demographic disaggregation of polling staff?	
Availability		
10	What is the likelihood that all EMB composition information will be available for free on the internet? Will at least some data be available online?	

11	If some data is not available for free on the internet, where can you find it?	
12	Will any data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
13	Do you have to pay for access to any EMB information?	
Completeness		
14	Will data regarding EMB personnel be available at all administrative levels and in all areas of the country? If not, why not?	
Analyzable		
15	In what format will EMB personnel information be available? Is any of it machine readable?	
Non-Proprietary		
16	Is there any proprietary software associated with the EMB composition information?	
Non-Discriminatory		
17	Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain EMB composition information?	
18	Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to EMB composition information but not others? If so, why?	
Licensing		
19	Are there any prescribed limits to using EMB composition information that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?	
20	Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing EMB composition information? If so, what and by whom?	
Permanently Available		
21	Are you able to access EMB composition information from previous elections? If not, why not?	

EMB PROCESSES		
	Question	Explain
General		
1	Is major decision-making and operational information for election administration centralized at the national level? If not, in what subnational units is this information likely to reside?	
2	Are the following pieces of information available: 1) election administration budget, 2) formal decisions or resolutions of the EMB, 3) the electoral calendar, 4) other EMB strategic, procurement, or operational documents? If not, what is not available and why?	
3	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing such information from the EMB?	
Timely		
4	What is the timeline for the EMB drafting and releasing budget data, and when is the budget approved?	
5	What is the timeline for the EMB to publicly release decisions or resolutions as they occur? Is there any reason to believe such decisions would not be available immediately?	
6	What is the timeline for the EMB to release the elections calendar?	
7	If other items, such as EMB meeting minutes, operational plans, or training data, are available, when will they be accessible and how frequently?	
Granularity		
8	What level of detail will the election budget include, such as line items and timing?	
9	What level of detail will the electoral calendar include?	
Availability		
10	What is the likelihood that all EMB process information will be available for free on the internet? Will at least some data be available online?	
11	If some data is not available for free on the internet, where can you find it?	

12	Will any data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
13	Do you have to pay for access to any EMB process data?	
Completeness		
14	Will there be a clear repository of all EMB official resolutions?	
15	Will the budget(s) available be inclusive of election administrative units throughout the country and all electoral processes? If not, why not?	
Analyzable		
16	In what format will EMB process information be available? Is any of it machine readable? If so, what?	
Non-Proprietary		
17	Is there any proprietary software associated with any EMB process information?	
Non-Discriminatory		
18	Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain EMB process information?	
19	Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to EMB process information but not others? If so, why?	
Licensing		
20	Are there any prescribed limits to using EMB process information that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?	
21	Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing EMB process information? If so, what and by whom?	
Permanently Available		
22	Are you able to access EMB operational information, such as budgets, procurement information, training data, or formal resolutions, from previous elections? If not, why not?	
23	What happens to EMB operational documents after elections?	

ELECTION SECURITY		
	Question	Explain
General		
1	Does data on election security planning and strategies exist? If so, is it information consolidated at the national level?	
2	Is electoral violence information, such as incidents of violence, consolidated at the national level? If not, is it consolidated at any sub-national levels?	
3	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing security planning or electoral violence information from the government?	
4	What government body (or bodies) is responsible for maintaining and disseminating security planning and strategy information? What about incidents of election violence?	
5	Can you acquire other supplemental data, such as early warning indicators, demographic voter registration or census data, polling station information, and other geographic/spatial data to help verify and analyze the appropriate security deployment? If so, when and how?	
Timely		
6	Is there a clear timeline for developing and finalizing electoral security plans? If so, what is it?	
7	Is data on incidents of electoral violence available immediately after it occurs? If not, when is it available?	
8	Do you anticipate receiving electoral security data with enough time to analyze it and report findings while they are still relevant? For instance, in time to include it in planned pre-election statements?	
Granularity		
9	What level of detail will security planning information include? For instance, risk evaluations, deployment data, rules of engagement, training information, security budgets, meeting minutes, operational or strategic plans, etc.	

10	What level of detail will electoral violence information include? For instance, verified/unverified incidents, time, place, perpetrator and victim profiles, etc.	
Availability		
11	What is the likelihood that all electoral security planning and election violence data will be available for free on the internet? Will at least some data be available online?	
12	If some data is not available for free on the internet, where can you find it?	
13	Will any data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
14	Do you have to pay for access to any electoral security or election violence data?	
Completeness		
15	Is electoral violence data, such as incidents of violence, collected in all areas? If not, why? Is national level data — if it exists — inclusive of all areas? If not, why?	
16	Are local security arrangements included in the national election security operations plan (should such a plan exist)?	
Analyzable		
17	In what format will electoral violence data be available? Is this machine readable?	
18	In what format will election security planning data be available? Is this machine readable?	
Non-Proprietary		
19	Is there any proprietary software associated with the electoral security planning or violence data?	
Non-Discriminatory		
20	Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain electoral violence or election security planning data?	
21	Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to electoral violence or security planning information but not others? If so, why?	

Licensing

22 Are there any prescribed limits to using electoral violence or security planning data that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?

23 Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing electoral violence or security planning data? If so, what and by whom?

Permanently Available

24 Are you able to access electoral violence data from previous elections? If not, why not?

25 Are you able to access electoral security planning information from previous elections? If not, why not?

POLITICAL PARTY REGISTRATION

	Question	Explain
General		
1	Is party registration data consolidated at the national level?	
2	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing party registration data from the government?	
3	What government body (or bodies) is responsible for maintaining and disseminating party registration information?	
4	Are the following pieces of information available: 1) a list of registered parties, 2) party registration applications and supplemental materials, 3) applications of rejected parties and reason for rejection? If not, what is not available and why?	
5	Is there a separate process for approving party mergers? If so, is an application available for that?	
Timely		
6	Is party registration information available on a rolling basis, or only after the registration window has closed?	
7	Are there any challenges to party registration that could alter the data? If so, what is the estimated timeline to rule on those challenges?	
8	Do you anticipate receiving party registration data with enough time to analyze it and report findings while they are still relevant? For instance, in time to include it in planned pre-election statements?	
Granularity		
9	What level of detail will electoral party registration include? For instance, supporting documents providing eligibility like petitions or financial records?	
Availability		
10	What is the likelihood that all party registration data will be available for free on the internet? Will at least some data be available online?	

11	If some data is not available for free on the internet, where can you find it?	
12	Will any data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
13	Do you have to pay for access to any party registration data?	
Completeness		
14	Will data regarding all aspirant and registered parties be made available? If not, why not?	
15	Will the same amount of information be available for all aspirant and registered parties? If not, why not?	
16	Will data regarding any challenges or appeals regarding party registration be in a consolidated format? Or reported by individual instances?	
Analyzable		
17	In what format will party registration data be available? Is this machine readable?	
Non-Proprietary		
18	Is there any proprietary software associated with the party registration data?	
Non-Discriminatory		
19	Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain party registration data?	
20	Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to party registration information but not others? If so, why?	
Licensing		
21	Are there any prescribed limits to using party registration information that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?	
22	Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing party registration data? If so, what and by whom?	

Permanently Available

23	Is historical party registration information available? For instance, in the case of older established parties that have not applied for registration recently?	
24	Will access to party registration data during this election "expire" at any time?	
25	What happens to party registration data when parties merge or dissolve?	

BALLOT QUALIFICATION

	Question	Explain
General		
1	Is ballot qualification information, applications, decisions on applications, and supplementary materials, consolidated at the national level? If not, at what sub-national levels is it consolidated?	
2	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing ballot qualification data from the government?	
3	What government body (or bodies) is responsible for maintaining and disseminating ballot qualification information? What about objections and appeals to ballot qualification?	
4	Are the following pieces of information available, or will become available: 1) information on ballot eligibility, application process, and scrutiny procedures, 2) ballot qualification applications including supplementary materials (such as petitions, tax documents, etc), 3) justification for ballot rejections, 4) objections, appeals, and final rulings, 5) final candidate/party list? If not, what is not available and why not?	
Timely		
5	What is the timeline for releasing ballot qualification data? Is it rolling as applications are received or only after the process is complete?	
6	What is the timeline for objections and appeals to ballot qualification decisions? When will that information be available?	
7	What is the timeline for releasing the final ballot information, including the final party/candidate list for each constituency?	
8	Do you anticipate receiving ballot qualification information with enough time to analyze it and report findings while they are still relevant? For instance, in time to include it in planned pre-election statements?	

Granularity		
9	What level of detail will available ballot qualification information include? For instance, individual applications and supplementary documents such as petitions, financial documents, etc, as well as reasons for rejection in those cases?	
10	What level of detail will available ballot qualification objections and appeals include?	
11	What level of detail will the final candidate or party list(s) include? For instance party data, symbols, precinct information, place on ballot?	
Availability		
12	What is the likelihood that all ballot qualifications will be available for free on the internet? Will at least some data be available online?	
13	If some data is not available for free on the internet, where can you find it?	
14	Will any data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
15	Do you have to pay for access to any ballot qualification data?	
Completeness		
16	Will data regarding all candidates/parties from all constituencies be made available? At the same time? If not, why not?	
17	Will data regarding any objections or appeals to the ballot qualification process be in a consolidated format? Or reported by individual instances?	
Analyzable		
18	In what format will ballot qualification applications, supporting documents, and ballot qualification decisions be available? Is this machine readable?	
19	In what format will ballot qualification appeals and objections data be available? Is this machine readable?	
20	In what format will the final candidate/party list(s) be made available? Is this machine readable?	

Non-Proprietary		
21	Is there any proprietary software associated with ballot qualification data?	
Non-Discriminatory		
22	Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain ballot qualification data?	
23	Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to ballot qualification information but not others? If so, why?	
Licensing		
24	Are there any prescribed limits to using ballot qualification data that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?	
25	Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing ballot qualification data? If so, what and by whom?	
Permanently Available		
26	Are you able to access at least some ballot qualification data from previous elections? What is available and what is not? Why not?	
27	What happens to ballot qualification data after the elections?	

ELECTION CAMPAIGNS		
	Question	Explain
General		
1	Is campaign information, such as regulations, schedules, rally permits, and media and/or public resource allocation, consolidated at the national level? If not, at what sub-national levels is it available?	
2	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing campaign information from the government or contesting parties/candidates?	
3	What government body (or bodies) is responsible for maintaining and disseminating campaign schedule and permit information? What about media and public resource allocation?	
Timely		
4	What is the timeline for releasing campaign regulations and schedule information? What about media or public resource allocations?	
5	Do you anticipate receiving campaign information with enough time to analyze it and report findings while they are still relevant? For instance, in time to include it in planned pre-election statements?	
Granularity		
6	What level of detail will campaign information include? For instance, if campaign or rally permits are rejected, are justifications, timing, personnel provided?	
Availability		
7	What is the likelihood that campaign data will be available for free on the internet? Will at least some data be available online?	
8	If some data is not available for free on the internet, where can you find it?	
9	Will any data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
10	Do you have to pay for access to any campaign related data?	

Completeness		
11	Will campaign information for all candidates/ parties from all constituencies be made available? At the same time? If not, why not?	
Analyzable		
12	In what format will campaign regulations, schedules, permits, etc., and be available? Is this machine readable?	
13	In what format will media and/or public resource allocation information be available? Is this machine readable?	
Non-Proprietary		
14	Is there any proprietary software associated with campaign data?	
Non-Discriminatory		
15	Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain campaign data?	
16	Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to campaign information but not others? If so, why?	
Licensing		
17	Are there any prescribed limits to using campaign data that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?	
18	Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing campaign data? If so, what and by whom?	
Permanently Available		
19	Are you able to access at least some campaign data from previous elections? What is available and what is not? Why not?	
20	What happens to campaign data after the elections?	

CAMPAIGN FINANCE

	Question	Explain
General		
1	Is campaign finance data centralized at the national level? If not, at what sub-national level(s) is it consolidated?	
2	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing campaign finance data from the government?	
3	What government body is in charge of collecting and disseminating campaign finance information?	
Timely		
4	Is the timeline for campaign finance reporting and review clear and well-known? What is it?	
5	Is campaign finance data released as it is reported to the government, or only after filing deadlines?	
6	If the EMB plans on consolidating campaign finance data, how long will that take?	
7	Do you anticipate receiving at least some campaign finance data with enough time to analyze it and report findings while they are still relevant? For instance, in time to identify non-compliance issues while the campaign is ongoing, or to include analysis in election statements while the public is still interested?	
Granularity		
8	Will the EMB consolidate campaign finance data, or release raw data? Or both?	
9	Will information regarding donations be available? In what detail? (ie: individual donors, amount, donation type, locations, etc)	
10	Will information regarding campaign expenditures be available? In what detail? (ie: individual expenditures, cost breakouts, locations, etc)	
11	What information regarding government review of campaign finance will be available?	

Availability		
12	What is the likelihood that all campaign finance data will be available for free on the internet? Will at least some data be available online?	
13	If some data is not available for free on the internet, where can you find it?	
14	Will any data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
15	Do you have to pay for access to any campaign finance data?	
Completeness		
16	Will data regarding campaign donations be made available all together? Or on an individual or time frame basis?	
17	Will data regarding campaign donations be consolidated for all campaigns, or will each campaign have its own dataset?	
18	Will data regarding campaign expenditures be made available altogether in one dataset?	
19	Will data regarding campaign expenditures of all campaigns be consolidated, or will each campaign have its own dataset?	
20	Will data regarding campaign finance reporting completion, violations, and sanctions be available in a consolidated format? Reported by campaign? Or reported by individual instances?	
Analyzable		
21	In what format will campaign donation data be available? Is this machine readable?	
22	In what format will campaign expenditure data be available? Is this machine readable?	
23	In what format will campaign monitoring and regulatory data be available? Is this machine readable?	
Non-Proprietary		
24	Is there any proprietary software associated with the campaign finance data?	

Non-Discriminatory

25 Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain campaign finance data?

26 Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to campaign finance information but not others? If so, why?

Licensing

27 Are there any prescribed limits to using campaign finance data that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?

28 Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing campaign finance data? If so, what and by whom?

Permanently Available

29 Are you able to access campaign finance data from previous elections? If not, why not?

30 Will access to campaign finance data during this election "expire" at any time?

31 What happens to campaign finance data after a reporting period is over? (if applicable)

32 What happens to campaign finance data after an election is over?

POLLING STATIONS		
	Question	Explain
General		
1	Is polling station data centralized at the national level? If not, at what sub-national level(s) is it consolidated?	
2	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing polling station data from the government?	
3	Are the following pieces of information available in the list: 1) polling station names, locations and electoral constituency association, 2) number of registered voters at each station? If not, what is not available and why?	
Timely		
4	Is the timeline for the development of the polling station list clear and well-known?	
5	Do you anticipate receiving the polling station list with enough time to analyze it and report findings while they are still relevant? For instance, in time for polling station adjustments to be made should there be critical issues?	
6	Is there any chance some states/counties/localities polling station data would be released earlier or later?	
Granularity		
7	What level of detail will polling station lists include? For instance, how specific will locality information be? What about information of stations/streams within a polling center? Voter distribution?	
8	If applicable, will there be polling place, constituency, and voter information for overseas polling places?	
9	Will polling station information be fully disaggregated, or also include aggregate data, such as total voter numbers, or polling station per constituency?	

Availability		
10	What is the likelihood that a fully disaggregated polling station list will be available for free on the internet? Will at least some data be available online?	
11	If some data is not available on the internet, where can you find it?	
12	Will any data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
13	Do you have to pay for access to any polling station data?	
Completeness		
14	Will data regarding all polling stations in all constituencies be made available together? Or will it be released by different constituencies and have to be consolidated?	
Analyzable		
15	In what format will polling station data be? Is this machine readable?	
Non-Proprietary		
16	Is there any proprietary information associated with the polling station list?	
Non-Discriminatory		
17	Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain polling station data?	
18	Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to polling station information but not others? If so, why?	
Licensing		
19	Are there any prescribed limits to using polling station data that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?	
20	Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing polling station data? If so, what and by whom?	

Permanently Available

21	Are you able to access polling station data from previous elections? If not, why not?	
22	Will access to polling station data during this election "expire" at any time?	
23	What happens to polling station data after election day?	

ELECTION RESULTS		
	Question	Explain
General		
1	Is results data centralized at the national level? If not, at what sub-national level(s) are they consolidated?	
2	Are there any legal barriers preventing CSOs from accessing results data from the government?	
3	Will the availability of preliminary results be any different than final/certified results?	
4	Are results provided at the polling station level? If not, why not?	
5	How likely is it that results may be available in multiple formats? For instances, images of results protocols as well as HTML data or spreadsheets?	
Timely		
6	Is the timeline for the development of the polling station list clear and well-known?	
7	Will results be made available "live" (as they are transmitted and received from polling stations)? If not, why not?	
8	Are there stated reasons why results from certain polling stations would not be immediately available, for instance in the case of a recount or other challenge?	
Granularity		
9	Are all the relevant pieces of information that are included on the results protocol, including votes shares by all contestants, number of invalid ballots, total number of registered voters, etc. available? If not, what data is missing?	
10	Will results data clearly be linked to a unique polling station? Will additional geographic information — such as region, constituency, etc. — be included for each polling station?	
11	Will results information only be disaggregated by polling station, or also include aggregate data, such as results per constituency?	

Availability		
12	What is the likelihood that fully disaggregated results data will be available for free on the internet? If not, will some or any results data be available online?	
13	If some data is not available on the internet, where can you find it?	
14	Will any results data have to be collected in person, or can it be emailed or otherwise accessed electronically? If so, what data will have to be collected in person?	
15	Do you have to pay for access to any results data?	
Completeness		
16	Will data regarding all polling station results in all constituencies be made available together? Or will it be released by different constituencies and have to be consolidated?	
17	If applicable, are results from "special voting" — such as postal voting, out-of-country voting, etc. — also included? If not, where would you find this information?	
Analyzable		
18	In what format(s) will results data be? Is this machine readable?	
Non-Proprietary		
19	Is there any proprietary information associated with results data?	
Non-Discriminatory		
20	Do you have to go through any application or registration process to obtain results data?	
21	Is there any reason some organizations or stakeholders would be granted access to results information but not others? If so, why?	
Licensing		
22	Are there any prescribed limits to using results data that groups must adhere to? If so, what and by whom?	
23	Do you have to agree to any terms of use before accessing results data? If so, what and by whom?	

Permanently Available

24	Are you able to access polling station-level results data from previous elections?	
25	Will access to disaggregated results data during this election "expire" at any time?	
26	What happens to results data after the outcome is certified?	

