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Dear [REDACTED]

### **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – REQUEST 1941**

Thank you for your request for information, which we received on 19 July 2019. You asked us to explain why a particular thesis, found at <https://ethos.bl.uk/OrderDetails.do?did=1&uin=uk.bl.ethos.652034>, would be placed on restricted access for such a long a period of time.

We have considered your request, and can confirm that the label of restricted access is used by EThOS for a range of reasons, e.g. if the university has declined to digitise because of third party copyright or author permissions, or if the thesis itself is restricted in some way at the university itself. This is the instruction we received from LSE for this thesis, and the Library will always follow the advice of our participating institutions when managing the thesis data in EThOS.

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Yours sincerely

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