

EXERCISE B:

CONSIDER ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY TO USE OPEN DATA

Groups interested in collecting and analyzing open election data should consider the following questions to determine how in-depth their effort should be.



- 1) Has your organization previously analyzed open election data, such as voter lists or polling station distribution? If so, how?

- 2) Does your organization understand the difference between good, reliable data and bad, unreliable, or incomplete data?

- 3) Has your organization used data quality checks in the past before conducting analysis of observation findings?

- 4) What, if any, database software is your organization accustomed to using?

- 5) Does your organization have the ability to convert open data into a usable format?

- 6) Does your organization have any experience with mapping software? If so, what?

- 7) Does your organization know how to import, clean, and manipulate data in spreadsheet software?

- 8) Is someone within the organization available to use and maintain a database throughout the electoral cycle?

- 9) Does your organization use basic principles of statistical sampling and inferential statistics?