Hello Ricardo, Rob and Tie,

I hope this message finds you well.

The learning and lecture content for POLS0008 has been released to the students. You’ve probably seen the bulk email notifying them of this. In advance of all the seminar sessions on Thursday, I have attached all solutions – answers and codes - for your perusal. I hope you find them in order. Please note that computer practical content are hosted on this link: <https://uclpg-msc-sgds.github.io/POLS0008/>.

**Preparation for Week 1 seminar**

This week’s computer practical focuses on the absolute basics. The tutorials consist of self-guided content supported by videos that the students need to review after my lecture and before Thursday. I will explain to them today the importance of preparing for the seminars in the lectures.

The content for Week 1 covers the following foundational topics:

* Accessing RStudio via the server
* Getting to know RStudio’s environment and using its R console as a calculator
* Assigning values to objects and creating vector and data frame structures
* Setting the working directory in the RStudio server, and importing/exporting CSV data files
* Creating variables and categorizing them
* Working with basic datasets and creating basic plots (e.g., bar plots, histograms, and pie charts)
* Conducting descriptive analysis of data using frequency distribution

Whenever you are ready, I kindly ask you to review Week 1’s content [[Understanding Data](https://uclpg-msc-sgds.github.io/POLS0008/understanding-data.html)] to prepare for Thursday. The datasets are downloadable via the shared link on the welcome page, and the seminar task and questions can be found in [section 1.9](https://uclpg-msc-sgds.github.io/POLS0008/understanding-data.html#seminar-tasks-and-questions).

Please let me know if this is okay or if you need any assistance with anything.

Best wishes,

Anwar.