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Subject: Your request for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 – reference GestDem No 2012/5001

Dear Mr Hoedeman,

We refer to your email of 23 November 2012, by which you appeal the response given on 22 November 2012 by the Director of Directorate B of the Secretariat-General to your request of 26 October 2012.

The time limit for handling your confirmatory application will expire on 14 December 2012. Since the internal consultation process has not yet been completed, it will not be possible to send you the Commission's final reply by that date.

Therefore, as a precautionary measure, we need to extend the time limit with 15 working days. The extended deadline will expire on 16 January 2013. However, we expect to send you the final reply well before the expiry date.

We apologise for any inconvenience this delay may cause.

Yours sincerely,

Marc Maes
Deputy Head of Unit