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(via e-mail only)

Dear Sir,

**Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2022/3736**

We refer to your e-mail dated 28 June 2022 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to: *“All documents - including but not limited to minutes, (hand-written) notes, audio recordings, verbatim reports, operational conclusions, lines to take, briefings, e-mails, letters, position papers and presentations - related to any communication with Lukoil and/or Gazprom, since 1 January 2022.”*

We regret to inform you that DG Taxation and Customs union (DG TAXUD) does not hold such documents.

As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution.

Given that no such documents, corresponding to the description given in your application, are held by DG TAXUD, DG TAXUD is not in a position to fulfil your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretariat-General of the Commission at the following address:

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Secretariat-General  
Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)  
BERL 7/076  
B-1049 Brussels  
or by email to: [sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu](mailto:sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu)

Yours faithfully,

*(e-Signed)*

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