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Subject: *Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2022/4328*

Dear Mr Gaberell,

We refer to your e-mail of 13 July 2022 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 15 July 2022.

Your request regards any documents (including emails, briefings, reports, list of meetings, as well as attachments) received from (or sent to) representatives of Member States and/or other Departments of the European Commission and executive agencies since October 2020 that concern or make mention of the commitment in the Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability that the EU will “lead by example, and, in line with international commitments, ensure that hazardous chemicals banned in the European Union are not produced for export, including by amending relevant legislation if and as needed.”

Your request has been split among several Commission Departments for separate replies and the part of the request for the Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs (DG ECFIN) has been registered under the above-mentioned reference number.

We regret to inform you that DG ECFIN does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application.

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 ECFIN, we are 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:

European Commission

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

Yours sincerely,

Electronically signed

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(Acting Director-General on behalf
of Maarten VERWEY)