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**Subject: Your confirmatory application for access to documents under
Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 - GESTDEM 2022/4618**

Dear Mr Ryan,

I refer to your e-mail of 1 October 2022, registered on 3 October 2022, by which you submit a confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents¹ (hereafter 'Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001').

Your confirmatory application was submitted in relation to your initial application of 15 August 2022 in which you requested, I quote:

'All documents held by Commissioner Reynders, his cabinet, and DG Just, concerning the Irish Data Protection Commission and Ireland's application of the GDPR during the period from the beginning of the current Commission's term to the present date [15 August 2022]. Including all documents in the meaning of Article 3(a) of Regulation 1049/2001, whether long term records or short term notes, irrespective of whether they are

¹ OJ L 145 of 31.5.2001, p. 43.

included in the eDomec or ARES systems. This also includes all relevant papers, reports, presentations, speeches, minutes, notes, communications, correspondence, agendas, minutes, and comments, whether hand written or typed or otherwise recorded. This also includes but is not limited to all communications and meetings with or concerning the Irish Data Protection Commission itself, and relevant communications and meetings with the Irish Government and other Commission DGs and European institutions and agencies.'

The initial request was assigned to the Directorate-General Justice and Consumers. As you did not receive an initial reply from that Directorate-General within the statutory time limits, you submitted a confirmatory application on 1 October 2022.

In the meantime, the initial reply in question was sent to you on 7 October 2022 (registered under reference number Ares(2022)6923031).

Against this background, the Secretariat-General will close your confirmatory application related to the lack of initial reply.

You remain entitled to submit a new confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, should you wish to request a review of the initial reply of 7 October 2022.

Yours sincerely,

María Oliván Avilés
Head of Unit