



EUROPEAN COMMISSION
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

The Director-General

Brussels, 5 June 2023
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Dear Mr Henning,

We refer to your e-mail of 26 May 2023 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on the same day under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to all minutes, agendas, summaries, notes, memos, documents issued in preparation for or exchanged during the meeting between Nokia and Commissioner Ms Jutta Urpilainen on 8 May 2023, as well as all correspondence including attachments by either of the parties in connection with such a meeting.

Your application concerns the following documents:

- One first e-mail exchange during the period March – April 2023 between Mr Olai Voionmaa and Nokia on the topic of Commissioner Urpilainen's visit to Nokia's site in Oulu;
- One second e-mail of 22 May 2023 regarding a flash report from Mr Arto Virtanen of Commissioner's visit to Nokia's Oulu site on 8 May 2023.

With regard to the two e-mail exchanges listed above, a complete disclosure of the identified documents is prevented by the exception concerning the protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual outlined in Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, because they contain the following personal data:

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- the names/initials and contact details of other natural persons.

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Consequently, I conclude that, pursuant to Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access cannot be granted to the personal data contained in the requested documents, as the need to obtain access thereto for a purpose in the public interest has not been substantiated and there is no reason to think that the legitimate interests of the individuals concerned would not be prejudiced by disclosure of the personal data concerned.

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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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Yours faithfully,

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