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**Subject: Your application for access to documents related to DG GROW
correspondence/meetings with ECPA or Croplife on TTIP
Reference: GestDem No 2016/0795**

Dear Ms Tansey,

I refer to your e-mail dated 14 February 2016 and registered on 15 February 2016 in which you make a request for access to documents. Your request was registered under reference number GestDem No 2016/0795.

Your request concerns the following documents:

"all correspondence (including emails), as well as notes, minutes or any other reports of meetings, relating to the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP), between DG GROW officials and representatives of ECPA (European Crop Protection Association) and/or CropLife (International or America), including any consultancy or consultant acting on either organisation's behalf, since 1 September 2014".

I regret to inform you that no documents were found that would correspond to the description given in your application. Therefore, the Commission is not in a position to handle your request.


As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) 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 Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

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Yours sincerely,


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