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Mr James Panichi  
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Dear Mr Panichi,

**Subject: Application for access to documents - Whistleblowers, Fundamental Rights Agency (our ref No 2016/1142)**

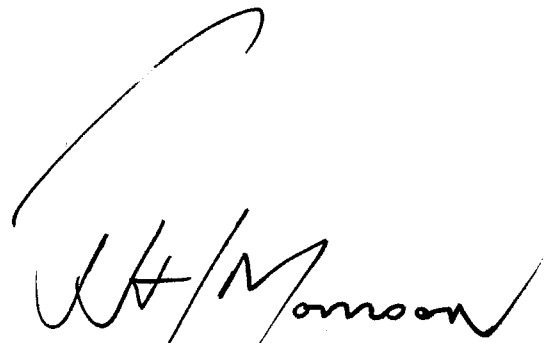
We refer to your e-mail dated 15/02/2016 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 17/02/2016 under the above mentioned reference number. The Secretariat-General has been asked to respond to the part of your request relating to Mr Martin Selmayr as Head of Cabinet of the President. DG JUST will respond in respect of the rest of your application.

No documents were found that would correspond to the description given in your application. It should also be noted that, as specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation 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 have been identified, the Commission is not in a position to handle your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 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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Secretariat-General, Transparency unit SG-B-4  
BERL 5/282  
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Yours faithfully,



James Morrison