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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2016/3449

Dear Sir,

We refer to your e-mail, dated 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016, in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 21/06/2016 under the above mentioned reference number.

You request access to general and specific audit reports of ESF Operational Programmes implemented in Bulgaria during 2007-2013, particularly those leading to the interruption or suspension of funding.

I consider your request to cover documents held up to the date of your initial application, i.e. 17th June 2016.

Your application concerns the following documents:

- Final report System audit OP HRD (A-rep n°1081) / Ares(2010)929654 10/12/2010;
- Final report Re-performance audit OP HRD (A-rep n°1282) / Ares(2011)1120735 20/10/2011;
- Final report System audit OP AC (A-rep n°1165) / Ares(2011)1144744 26/10/2011;
- Final report Audit OP HRD (A-rep n°1375) / Ares(2012)706198 13/06/2012;
- Final report –System audit OP HRD (A-rep n°1577) / Ares(2014)1452791 06/05/2014;
- Final report –System audit OP AC (A-rep n°1756) / Ares(2015)1765826 27/04/2015;
- Final report Re-performance audit OP HRD (A-rep n°1821) / Ares(2015)5325239 24/11/2015.

Having examined the documents requested under the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents, I have come to the conclusion that they may be partially disclosed. Some parts of them have been blanked out as their disclosure is prevented by exception to the right of access laid down in Article 4§1 b of this Regulation. The redacted parts of the documents contain personal data.

Disclosure of these parts would undermine the protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual, in particular in accordance with Community legislation regarding the protection of personal data.

Concerning the Re-performance audit A-rep n°1821 the disclosure of the final report is prevented by exception to the right of access laid down in Article 4§2 related to an ongoing audit.

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:

European Commission Secretary-General Transparency unit SG-B-4 BERL 5/282 1049 Bruxelles BELGIUM

or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours sincerely,

Michel Servoz

## Annexes:

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