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**By registered letter:**

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**Subject: Your confirmatory application for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 - GESTDEM 2016/6510**

Dear Mr Freund,

I refer to your e-mail of 20 June 2017, by which you submit a confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents<sup>1</sup> ('Regulation 1049/2001').

Your confirmatory application was submitted in relation to your initial request of 18 November 2017 for access to the following documents:

- *all documents in relation to Commissioner Oettinger's trip to Budapest, Hungary on 18 May 2016. Any prior or subsequent exchanges on this trip with the Hungarian authorities and/or Mr Klaus Mangold or his companies would also be relevant.*
- *any exchanges or documents relating to exchanges between the Commissioner or his cabinet and Mr Klaus Mangold or his companies.*

<sup>1</sup> Official Journal L 145 of 31.5.2001, p. 43.

- *any documents relating to the use of air taxis or chartered jets by Commissioner Oettinger during the current and the prior mandate. A list indicating how many such flights have been taken, provided by whom, accompanied by whom, and to which destinations would be relevant.*

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The initial request was split into two parts, registered respectively under Gestdem reference numbers 2016/6510 and 2017/6243, attributed respectively to the Directorate-General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology (DG CNECT) and the Office for the Administration and Payment of Individual Entitlements (PMO) for handling and reply. As you did not receive a reply from DG CNECT within the statutory deadlines, you submitted a confirmatory application on 20 June 2017, against the tacit refusal of access to the documents requested.

I note that on 21 November 2017 and 15 December 2017, you received the replies from, respectively, DG CNECT and PMO to your initial requests 2016/6510 and 2017/6243.

Against this background, the Secretariat-General will close your confirmatory application<sup>2</sup>.

Yours sincerely,



Martin Kröger  
Head of Unit

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<sup>2</sup> Without prejudice to your right to submit a new confirmatory application if you do not agree with the position of DG CNECT included in its explicit reply of 15 December 2017.