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Subject: Your confirmatory application for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 – GESTDEM 2017/308

Dear Mr Semsrott.

I refer to your email of 8 March 2017, registered on the same day, 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').

I also refer to our holding reply dated 7 April 2017, by which the time limit for replying to your confirmatory request was extended by 15 working days, pursuant to Article 8(2) of the Regulation. This extended time limit expires on 24 April 2017.

As the Commission decision is currently still being finalised through the formal decision-making process, we will not be able to respond within the extended time-limit.

I can assure you that we are doing our utmost to provide you with a final reply as soon as possible. I regret this additional delay and sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Kröger Head of Unit

Official Journal L 145 of 31.5.2001, p. 43.