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Subject: Confirmatory application for access to a Commission document reference - GestDem 2013/5287 and 2013/5939

Dear Mr Kolimatsis,

I refer to your e-mail of 8 November 2013, registered on 10 November 2013, in which you lodge a confirmatory reply regarding two requests on access to documents.

In your initial demands of 22 November 2013 and 25 October 2013, you requested access to the following:

- 1. Day note SEC(2003)325 concerning decisions adopted by Commission by written procedure on 17 March 2003 (decision C(2003)799/2);
- 2. Day note SEC(2007)456/4 concerning decisions adopted by the Commission by written procedure on 10 April 2007 (decision C(2007)1509/1).

In its replies of 2 December 2013 the Secretariat-General provided access to both requested documents which it sent to you in two e-mails on the same day.

For these notes you were provided with scanned versions of the documents.

The Secretariat-General informed you that all the attached day notes were electronic versions of the original day notes, which had been deposited in the archives of the Commission. It further explained that these copies are extracted from the Commission's electronic archive and fully reflect the content of the originals.

In your e-mail of 8 November 2013, you specify that "[b]ecause the Transparency Unit provided me with non-copies of the requested documents, it is necessary to lodge a confirmatory application for the full release of the day notes..."

I confirm that the requested documents were provided at the initial stage.

Since you have been granted full access to the requested documents, I consider that your confirmatory application is devoid of purpose. Indeed, a confirmatory application is a request to review a position by which access to one or more documents has been fully or partially denied. This is obviously not the case with regard to your request.

Yours faithfully,

Hubert Szlaszewski Director