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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2018/6891

Dear Madam,

We refer to your e-mail dated 28 November 2018 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 19 December 2018 under the above-mentioned reference number.

We would like to inform you that the Directorate General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW) does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application.

DG GROW did neither hold any lobby meetings with the tobacco industry on the subject of the Single-Use Plastics proposal since 28 May 2018 nor it is in the possession of any emails, letters, agendas, minutes and position papers which relate to either these meetings or other contacts between the tobacco industry and DG GROW on the Single-Use Plastics proposal.

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 corresponding to the description given in your application, are held by DG GROW, we do not have any document to disclose.

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 Secretariat-General of the Commission at the following address:

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Yours sincerely,



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