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Task Force for the Preparation and Conduct of the Negotiations with the United Kingdom under Article 50 of the TEU

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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2019/0061

Dear Mr Merino,

We refer to your e-mail of 26 December 2018 registered on 7 January 2019 under the above mentioned reference number, by which you made a request pursuant to Regulation No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents¹.

You requested:

- 1) A list of all lobby meetings held by the Taskforce on Article 50 negotiations with the UK with any organisation representing churches and/or religious communities since the creation of the taskforce itself onwards.
- 2) I would further like to request all agendas, emails, minutes/notes of meetings, reports, position papers or any other briefing papers related to those lobby meetings.

We identified the following documents in relation to your application:

- 1. Minutes of the meeting with the Irish Council of Churches, 30 November 2017
- 2. Compte-rendu de l'intervention devant l'Assemblée de la COMECE, le 25 octobre 2018

After consultation of third parties in accordance with Article 4(4) of Regulation 1049/2001, wide partial access is granted to the above listed documents, subject to the redaction of personal data (the names of the Commission's officials, who do not occupy any senior management position and the names of the participants, who are not the main representative of the external organisation) on the basis of the exception of Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation 1049/2001 related to the protection of the privacy and integrity of the individual.

Official Journal L145 of 31.05.2001, p.43.

In case you would disagree with this assessment, you are entitled, in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001, to introduce 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:

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Yours sincerely,

Sabine Weyand