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Subject: Your application for access to documents – GestDem 2019/2513

Dear Mr. Teffer,

We refer to your e-mail dated 26 April in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on the same day under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to "All letters, e-mails, papers, and presentations from the French president/government arguing in favour of a European carbon border tax, or other carbon pricing measures, as well as any minutes, records or e-mails summarising the French position about such measures, since 1 September 2017."

Having consulted the relevant services, we regret to inform you that the Commission does not hold any document that would correspond to the description given in your application.

As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) No 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 the Commission, the Commission is not in a position to fulfil your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 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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