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Dear Sir,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2019/4020

We refer to your email dated 11/07/2019 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 11/07/2019 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to “*the minutes of the meeting between Forest Peoples Programmes (FPP) and the Commission on 23 April 2019 and the recommendation and any other document that FPP gave to the Commission during that meeting or after and which refers to Messok Dja proposed protected area and FPIC*”.

Having duly examined your request, we regret to inform you that such minutes do not exist, and that FPP has not provided the European Commission with any document referring to Messok Dja proposed protected area and FPIC.

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 Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

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Secretariat-General

Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)

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Yours faithfully,



Stefano Manservigi

Director-General