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**Subject: Your request for access to documents of 08/06/2020
Ref. GestDem 2020/3618**

Dear Mr Schindler,

I refer to your message of 8 June 2020, registered in EPSO under the reference number GestDem 2020/3618, whereby you lodged a request for access to documents pursuant to Regulation (CE) No 1049/2001.

You have requested access to the following documents:

"Palantir Technologies, Inc. is a private company supplying products and services.

I am asking for any information related to palantir and its products and services, including:

- a) meeting records (drafts, memos, invitations, appointments, cancellations) involving Palantir officials and people representing Palantir and their interests;*
- b) correspondence (including within the [Authority name] and with the European institutions concerning Palantir technologies and/or its products and services or the regulatory environment of the EU that affects their products and services. This may include policy papers, consultation input, memoranda or any other form of information.*
- c) invoices, tenders, service agreements, purchases, orders, procurement documents, offers etc. concerning products and services using Palantir Technologies."*

On 22 June 2020, EPSO sent you a request for clarification with regard to the scope of your access request. You replied on the same day, providing the following clarifications:

"The company has been listed in the EU transparency register at <https://ec.europa.eu/transparencyregister/public/consultation/displaylobbyist.do?id=553786035745-66> and you can find the names of some of their representatives in this list. Since a complete list of representatives is unavailable, I would like to emphasise that this request should not just cover the people listed in this entry.

The company was founded in 2004, the timeframe should not extend beyond this date."

Analysis of your request

Regulation (CE) No 1049/2001 provides that any citizen of the Union, and any natural or legal person residing or having its registered office in a Member State, has a right of access to documents of the institutions, subject to the principles, conditions, and limits defined in the Regulation. According to Article 2(3), the Regulation "*shall apply to all documents held by an institution, that is to say, documents drawn up or received by it and in its possession*".

This means that the institutions are only required to provide access to existing documents that they possess.

Having thoroughly examined your request, I confirm that EPSO holds no documents that would fit the criteria specified therein.

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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 Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

European Commission
Secretary-General
Transparency unit SG-B-4
BERL 5/327
B-1049 Bruxelles
or by email to: sg-xxxxxxx@xx.xxxxxx.xx

Yours faithfully,

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