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Subject: Request for access to documents – GESTDEM No. 2020/4113

Dear Mr Hoedeman,

Thank you for your e-mail of 7 July 2020 which was registered on the same day, requesting access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (OJ L145, 31 May 2001, page 43 and following).

1. SCOPE OF YOUR REQUEST

Your e-mail requested access to documents as follows:

-"the European Commission's responses to stakeholders who commented on Services Directive Notification (IMI report No 92633.1, concerning Draft Regulation No 1/2019 of the Formentera Island Council)".

2. DESCRIPTION OF DOCUMENTS IDENTIFIED

Concerning your request to access "the European Commission's responses to stakeholders who commented on Services Directive Notification (IMI report No 92633.1, concerning Draft Regulation No 1/2019 of the Formentera Island Council)" we have identified two documents that match the scope of your request. The list with those documents is in the annex.

Those two documents are the acknowledgments of receipt sent by the European Commission to stakeholders.

3. FULL DISCLOSURE OF 2 DOCUMENTS

We would like to inform you that two identified documents are fully disclosed¹.

The documents to which you have requested access contain personal data such as the names, contact details and handwritten signatures of natural persons.

Article 9(1)(b) of the Data Protection Regulation does not allow the transmission of these personal data, except if you prove that it is necessary to have the data transmitted to you for a specific purpose in the public interest and where there is no reason to assume that the legitimate interests of the data subject might be prejudiced.

In your request, you do not express any particular interest to have access to these personal data nor do you put forward any arguments to establish the necessity to have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest.

Consequently, I conclude that, pursuant to Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access cannot be granted to the personal data contained in the requested document, as the need to obtain access thereto for a purpose in the public interest has not been substantiated and there is no reason to think that the legitimate interests of the individuals concerned would not be prejudiced by disclosure of the personal data concerned.

In case you would disagree with the assessment that the expunged data are personal data which can only be disclosed if such disclosure is legitimate under the rules of personal data protection, you are entitled, in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001, 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-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)

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Enclosure: Documents register
Disclosed document

Except for redaction of personal data. Please see reference below.