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Dear Mr Le Louarn,

Following our letter of 16 July 2021, the General Secretariat of the Council has concluded the examination of your request.¹

We would like to let you know that holding meetings with lobby organisations is not among the usual working methods of the Council of Ministers of the EU and its preparatory bodies (notably, working parties and the Committee of Permanent Representatives). You can find explanatory notes on the Council's decision-making procedures in the Council publication "Comments on the Council's rules of Procedure" (<https://www.consilium.europa.eu/media/29824/qc0415692enn.pdf>).

As regards your request's specific scope, consultations we have carried out within the General Secretariat of the Council of the EU have not found any record of meetings or exchange of correspondence with the FAFCE (Federation of Catholic Family Associations in Europe) since 1st June 2019.

Yours sincerely,

Fernando FLORINDO

¹ The General Secretariat of the Council has examined your request on the basis of the applicable rules: Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43) and the specific provisions concerning public access to Council documents set out in Annex II to the Council's Rules of Procedure (Council Decision No 2009/937/EU, OJ L 325, 11.12.2009, p. 35).