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The Director-General

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***By registered letter with  
acknowledgment of receipt***

Mrs Naomi Hirst

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**Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2021/7030**

Dear Madam,

We refer to your e-mail of 15 November 2021 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 16 November 2021 under the above-mentioned reference number.

We regret to inform you that the Commission does not hold any documents 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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Secretariat-General  
Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)  
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or by email to: [sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu](mailto:sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu)

Yours faithfully,



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