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Subject: Your confirmatory application for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 – GESTDEM 2021/8110

Dear Mr Pace

I am writing in reference to your confirmatory application registered on 17 June 2022, submitted in accordance with Article 7(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents ¹ (hereafter 'Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001').

Your confirmatory application was submitted in relation to your initial application of 15 December 2021, registered on the same date, in which you requested to 'all documents – including but not limited to correspondence, emails, minutes, notes (hand written or electronic), audio or video recordings, verbatim reports, operational conclusions, lines to take, briefings, and presentations – related to the meeting on November 11 between Kadri Simson and Snam S.p.A., Shell Companies, Thüga Aktiengesellschaft and N.V. Nederlandse Gasunie'.

The initial request was assigned the Directorate-General for Energy. As you did not receive an initial reply within the statutory time limits, you submitted a confirmatory application on 17 June 2022.

¹ OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43.

In the meantime, the initial reply in question was sent to you on 21 December 2022 (under reference number Ares(2022)8899069).

Against this background, the Secretariat-General will close your confirmatory application related to the lack of initial reply.

You remain entitled to submit a new confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, should you wish to request a review of the initial reply.

Yours sincerely,

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Deputy Head of Unit