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Dear Mr Fanta,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2022/2429

We refer to your request for access to documents of 25 April 2022, registered on 29 April 2022 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You requested access to, I quote:

“All documents regarding a March 14 meeting between officials at DG ENV, DG CNCT and DG ENER as well as member state representatives on a possible initiative on cryptocurrency (Bitcoin) mining using the proof-of-work method. My request is meant to include e-mails, meeting minutes and other documents relating to the initiative.”

Due to the scope of your request, it has also been attributed to the Directorates-General Communications Networks, Content and Technology (CNCT) and Energy (ENER).¹ This request relates only to the remit of the Directorate-General Environment (DG ENV).

We regret to inform you that DG ENV 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 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents, the right of access as defined in that Regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution.

Given that DG ENV does not hold such documents, corresponding to the description given in your application, I am unfortunately not in a position to fulfil your request.

¹ DG CNECT received file Gestdem 2022/2474 and DG ENER file Gestdem 2022/2475.

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 note to the Secretariat-General of the Commission at the following address:

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Unit C.1. 'Transparency, Document Management and Access to Documents'
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Yours sincerely,

e-signed

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