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Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2021/2854

Dear Sir,

We refer to your e-mail of 18 May 2022 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 19 May 2022 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to: "All documents - including but not limited to minutes, (handwritten) notes, audio recordings, verbatim reports, operational conclusions, lines to take, e-mails, and presentations, correspondence (i.e. any emails, correspondence, telephone call notes, and/or text messages including WhatsApp exchanges) - related to the following meetings of the Commissioners and the cabinets since 27 January, 2020 with:

- 1. Royal Caribbean Cruises
- 2. Cruise Lines International Association Europe (CLIA Europe)".

We regret to inform you that the Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMES (DG GROW) 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 DG GROW, DG GROW 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:

European Commission Secretariat-General Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1) BERL 7/076 B-1049 Brussels

or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu.

Electronically signed

Kerstin Jorna Director-General