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Free Software Foundation Europe e.V. M. Karsten Gerloff, President

<u>ask+request-1139-</u> **№ ж**

Subject: Your application for access to documents

Reference: GestDem N° 2014/276

Dear Sir,

We refer to your e-mail 17th January 2014, in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on the same date under the above mentioned reference number.

Your application is currently being handled. However, we will not be in a position to complete the handling of your application within the time limit of 15 working days, which expires on 7th February 2014.

An extended time limit is needed as, following a preliminary assessment, your application appears to cover a very long document and its annexes, parts of which may *a priori* be subject to one or more of the exceptions foreseen in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents. The possible applicability of these exceptions to such a long document requires an in-depth analysis.

Therefore, we have to extend the time limit with 15 working days in accordance with Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents. The new time limit expires on **28**th **February 2014**.

We apologise for this delay and for any inconvenience this may cause.

Yours faithfully,

E-Signed
Santiago DEL PINO
Access to Documents Correspondent