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Dear Mr Gaberell.

Subject: Your application for access to documents: Ref GestDem No 2022/4037

We refer to your request for access to documents dated 13 July 2022 and registered under the above-mentioned reference number.

You requested access to the following:

- "- any documents (including emails, briefings, reports, as well as attachments) received from (or sent to) representatives of Member States since October 2020 that concern or make mention of the commitment in the Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability that the EU will "lead by example, and, in line with international commitments, ensure that hazardous chemicals banned in the European Union are not produced for export, including by amending relevant legislation if and as needed.
- a list of meetings held (and minutes of those meetings when available) with representatives of Member States since October 2020 at which there was any discussion of the commitment in the Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability that the EU will "lead by example, and, in line with international commitments, ensure that hazardous chemicals banned in the European Union are not produced for export, including by amending relevant legislation if and as needed.
- any documents (including emails, briefings, reports, as well as attachments) received from (or sent to) other Departments and executive agencies from the European Commission (including but not limited to DG AGRI, DG COMP, DG ECFIN, DG GROW, DG RTD, DG TRADE) since October 2020 that concern or make mention of the commitment in the Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability that the EU will "lead by example, and, in line with international commitments, ensure that hazardous chemicals banned in the European Union are not produced for export, including by amending relevant legislation if and as needed.

- a list of meetings held (and minutes of those meetings when available) other Departments and executive agencies from the European Commission (including but not limited to DG AGRI, DG COMP, DG ECFIN, DG GROW, DG RTD, DG TRADE) since October 2020 that concern or make mention of the commitment in the Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability that the EU will "lead by example, and, in line with international commitments, ensure that hazardous chemicals banned in the European Union are not produced for export, including by amending relevant legislation if and as needed."

Your application is currently being handled. However, we have not yet been able to complete the handling of your application within the time limit of 15 working days, expiring on 5 August 2022.

An extended time limit is needed, as additional consultations need to be performed.

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 29 August 2022.

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

Yours faithfully,

Cristina de Avila Head of Unit