Dear Mr Sergi Riudalbàs Clemente,

We are writing concerning your request under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 for access to Commission documents registered on 29/02/2024 under case number EASE 2024/1167.

You describe your request as regarding all documents which are ‘related’ to any notification procedure launched in accordance with Article 24(3) of the Directive 2014/40/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3rd April 2014 on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States concerning the manufacture, presentation and sale of tobacco and related products.

You also mentioned in your request that it includes but is not limited to:

“- Documents, correspondence and e-mails exchanged between the European Commission and any Member State that have resulted in the initiation of the notification procedure in accordance with Article 24(3) of the Tobacco Products Directive, regardless of whether or not the notified national measures were finally approved by the European Commission.

- Documents, opinions, correspondence and e-mails from the notifying Member State laying down the grounds of justification for the notified national measure, regardless of whether or not the notified national measures were finally approved by the European Commission.

- Documents, opinions, decisions, correspondence and e-mails from the European Commission on the notified measure and the grounds of justification for accepting or blocking the notified measure, regardless of whether or not the notified national measures were finally approved by the European Commission.”

The timeframe is missing in your request, could you please indicate the dates or periods of the documents you are interested in?

In this context, we invite you, in accordance with Article 6(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents, to clarify your request.
If you need assistance in clarifying or specifying your application, you can contact us by email to: sante-consult-b4@ec.europa.eu.

The 15 working days to reply to your request will start running only when you reply to this message. If you do not reply within 7 working days, we will close this case in line with our detailed rules for the application of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.

Kind regards,

Artur FURTADO
Head of Unit