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Subject: ACP Civil Society Forum

Ref: your request for access to documents (Gestdem 2015/0510)

Dear Ms. Naar,

We are in receipt of your request for access to documents concerning a decision to hold the 4th ACP Civil Society Forum as well as documents and e-mails about the organisation of the 1st forum in 2001, the 2nd forum in 2006 and the 3rd forum in 2009 to see how the Commission financially supported these meetings and organised them with the ACP Secretariat.

As your request does not concern access to one or more precise documents but rather a request for information that would have to be compiled and processed for this specific purpose, it does not qualify as an application for access to documents under Regulation 1049/2001.

The Commission has already provided the information you ask for in earlier correspondence, notably in relation to your complaint to the European Ombudsman 809/2014/DK as well as your request for access to documents (Gestdem 2014/5068 and 2015/0339) that the EU financially supports certain operational activities of the ACP Secretariat linked to its mandate. We can only repeat the fact that these funds have been used in accordance with the priorities and annual work programmes established through applicable internal procedures of the ACP Group of States, in which the Commission takes no part. We therefore advise you to contact the ACP Secretariat in this respect.

Yours sincerely,

Denis SALORD

Head of Unit