

EUROPEAN COMMISSION DIRECTORATE-GENERAL MIGRATION and HOME AFFAIRS

The Director General

Brussels, HOME.A1-MR

Mr Klaus Zinser
Hauptstrasse 8 D
88427 Bad Schussenried
Deutschland
ask+request-2233612da30e@asktheeu.org

Registered letter with AR

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2015/5002

Dear Mr Zinser,

We refer to your e-mail dated 15/09/2015 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 16/09/2015 under the above mentioned reference number.

Your request refers to 'All Spendings to: Coffey International Development Limited e.g. tender, signed contract and delivered work'.

The Directorate General Migration and Home Affairs is indeed now in charge of the specific contract n°COMM-C2/16/2014 signed between the Directorate General Communication and Coffey International Development Limited on 24 October 2014, for an amount of 106.200 EUR.

This specific contract was drawn within the framework of the Framework Service Contract n°PO/2012-3/A3/TEP – Lot I signed between Directorate General Communication and Coffey International Development Limited.

Having examined the documents requested under the provisions of Regulation (EC) 1049/2001 regarding access to documents, I have come to the conclusions that you can have access to the following documents:

1. Framework Service Contract PO/2012-3/A3

The Directorate General Communication sent you, on 6 October 2015, the tender specifications and its Annex 'Draft framework service contract' - Ares(2015) 4109921

2. Specific contract n° COMM-C2/16/2014 – Ex-post evaluation of the "Europe for Citizens" programme 2007-2013

We enclose a copy of the tender specifications and the signed contract.

The evaluation report is directly available online under the following link: http://ec.europa.eu/citizenship/europe-for-citizens-programme/programme-2007-2013/index_en.htm

Please note that this document is a study carried out by external experts and does not reflect the position of the Commission. It cannot be quoted as reflecting the Commission's position.

Concerning the technical offer by Coffey International Development Limited related to the above mentioned specific contract, access to this document cannot be granted as it contains commercially sensitive business information of the company that submitted them.

Disclosure of this document would undermine the protection of the commercial interests of the company that submitted them, as putting this information in the public domain would affect its competitive position on the market. Therefore the exception laid down in Article 4(2) first indent of Regulation (EC) n°1049/2001 applies to these documents.

The exceptions laid down in Article 4(2) of Regulation 1049/2001 apply unless there is an overriding public interest in disclosure of the documents. It is considered that, with the information available, the public interest in making the content of the documents public does not outweigh the harm disclosure would cause to the interests protected by the invoked exception.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review its position on your request.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

European Commission
Secretary-General
Transparency unit SG-B-4
BERL 5/327
B-1049 Bruxelles
or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

I trust you will find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely,

Matthias RUETE