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**Subject : Your applications for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2016/0892, GestDem No 2016/0893, GestDem No 2016/0930 and GestDem 2016/0938**

Dear Mr Hoedeman,

We refer to your e-mails dated 23/02/2016 in which you make requests for access to documents to distinct Commission departments, on behalf of Corporate Europe Observatory (CEO), registered on 24/02/2016 respectively under the reference numbers GestDem No 2016/0892, GestDem No 2016/0893 and GestDem No 2016/0930, as well as to your email dated 24/02/2016 in which you make a request for access to documents, on behalf of CEO, registered on 26/02/2016 under the reference number GestDem No 2016/0938.

Your applications are currently being handled.

We would like to inform you that we are preparing a common reply for your aforementioned requests, coordinated by the Directorate-General Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion.

However, we will not be in a position to complete the handling of your aforementioned applications within the time limit of 15 working days, which expires on 16/03/2016, for your applications GestDem No 2016/0892, GestDem No 2016/0893 and GestDem No 2016/0930, and on 18/03/2016 for your application GestDem No 2016/0938.

An extended time limit is needed in particular as in order to retrieve the documents requested, large files have to be examined.

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<sup>1</sup>. The new time limit expires on 11/04/2016 for your applications GestDem No 2016/0892, GestDem No 2016/0893 and GestDem No 2016/0930, and on 13/04/2016, for your application GestDem No 2016/0938.

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

You have lodged your application via the AsktheEU.org website. Please note that this is a private website which has no link with any institution of the European Union. Therefore the European Commission cannot be held accountable for any technical issues or problems linked to the use of this system.

Yours faithfully,

Charlotte Grevfors Ernoult

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43.