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Re: Your request for public access to documents of 27 October 2016

Our ref.: PAD 2016/093

Dear Ms Viala,

I refer to your e-mail of 27 October 2016, submitted from the website Ask the EU, by means of which you requested access to "documents which contain the following information: data used in monitoring pesticides residues in 83 000 samples food as related in

http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/images/infographics/pesticidesreport2014.png".

Firstly we would like to reassure you that EFSA is doing its upmost to answer your request as quickly as possible in accordance with the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 on public access to documents<sup>1</sup> (hereinafter the "PAD Regulation").

We should inform you that we are making progress with the EU Member State consultations in accordance with Article 4(5) of the PAD Regulation in their capacity as the data providers of EFSA. Unfortunately this consultation process with the representatives of the 28 EU Member States is taking slightly more time than initially foreseen. For this reason and with reference to the possibility to confer with the access requester in view of finding a fair solution, in accordance with Article 6(3) of the Regulation, we would ask for slightly more time to provide you with a reply to your request. We should be able to do so by 22 December 2016 at the latest. We hope this is agreeable to you. Please accept our apologies for any inconveniences caused by this delay.

You will receive an answer by 22 December 2016 at the latest.

Yours sincerely,

Dirk Detker

Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents, OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43-48, applicable to EFSA.