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Subject:

Your confirmatory application for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 - GESTDEM 2017/097

Dear Mr Carter,

I refer to your e-mail of 8 February 2017, registered on the same day, in which you submit a confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents<sup>1</sup> (hereafter 'Regulation 1049/2001').

Your confirmatory application is currently being handled. Unfortunately, due to on-going internal consultations, we are not in a position to reply to your confirmatory request within the prescribed time limit expiring on 1 March 2017. Consequently, we have to extend this period by another 15 working days in accordance with Article 8(2) of Regulation 1049/2001. The new time limit expires on 22 March 2017.

I apologise for any inconvenience this delay may cause.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Kröger Head of Unit

Official Journal L 145 of 31.5.2001, p. 43.