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Subject: Your request for access to documents of 23 May 2017
Our ref: 2017/073

Dear Ms Douo,

Thank you for your request for access to documents, which we have examined in the framework of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001¹.

Although your request is somehow vague, we have identified various relevant documents, which I am pleased to forward to you attached to this letter:

1. Documents related to Commission Decisions and Annual Action Plans for Honduras since 2009
2. The EU – Central America Association Agreement

With regard to correspondence about AVA-FLEGT, I regret to inform you that deliberations and preliminary consultations cannot be disclosed since the disclosure could undermine the institutions' decision-making process and our international relations (as per Art 4(3)2 and Art 4(1)(a)3rd indent of the Regulation).

As regards correspondence with the Honduran authorities about mining and hydroelectric projects, those documents can also not be disclosed, since disclosure could undermine the protection of the public interest as regards international relations and the financial, monetary or economic policy of the Community or a Member State (as per Art 4(1)(a)3rd indent and Art 4(1)(a)4th indent of the Regulation).

¹ Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (hereafter the "Regulation").

Also, partial access was considered pursuant to art 4(6) of the Regulation, but it was concluded that partial access is not possible, as the document is fully covered by the exceptions outlined above.

Furthermore, we were unable to identify any overriding public interest in disclosure.

Should you wish this position to be reviewed, you may confirm your initial request within 15 working days.

Yours sincerely,



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