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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2017/2215

Dear Madam,

We refer to your email dated 10/04/2017 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 10/04/2017 under the above mentioned reference number.

You request access to "*documents which contain the following information for the period of 14 July until the publication of the draft Copyright Directive on 14 September 2016:- all correspondence (including emails) to officials in DG CNECT from the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI) and the European Grouping of Societies of Authors and Composers(GESAC).*" You further mentioned that you were only requesting "*access to the contents of the communications and that personally identifiable information (such as email headers) can therefore be sent with redactions*".

Since the description given in your application did not enable us to clearly identify the concrete documents which would correspond to your request, we sent you a request of clarification on 02/05/2017 (Ref.Ares (2017)2251266). On 08/05/2017, you confirmed us that your request "*covers all correspondence (including emails) from the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI) and the European Grouping of Societies of Authors and Composers (GESAC) sent to officials in DG CNECT regarding the proposal for a directive on copyright in the Digital Single Market, for the period running from 14 July 2016 until 14 September 2016 (adoption of the proposal)*".

Your application is currently being handled. However, we will not be in a position to complete the handling of your application within the time limit of 15 working days, which expires on 01/06/2017.

An extended time limit is needed as the documents requested originate from third parties which have been consulted.

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. The new time limit expires on 23/06/2017.

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

Yours faithfully,

'e-Signed'
Marco GIORELLO
Acting Head of Unit