

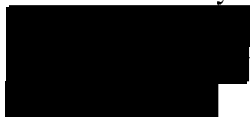
EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Task Force for the Preparation and Conduct of the Negotiations with the United Kingdom under Article 50 of the TEU

Deputy Chief Negotiator

Brussels, 8 August 2017
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Mr Peter Timothy



Dear Mr Timothy,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2017/4318

We refer to your e-mail dated 17/07/2017 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 24/07/2017 under the above mentioned reference number.

You asked: (1) The official written agenda for the Corbin/Barnier meeting and (2) The official minutes of the meeting.

EU Chief Negotiator Michel Barnier met with Jeremy Corbyn on 13 July 2017 to discuss issues related to the Article 50 negotiations, the respective positions of the UK and the EU, and the impact of Brexit. Mr Barnier also made it clear that we want to listen to the different points of view in the British debate, but we only negotiate with the UK government.

However, we regret to inform you that no documents were found that would correspond to the description given in your application.

Indeed, as specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution.

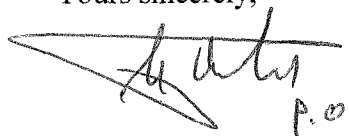
Given that no such documents have been identified, the Commission is not in a position to respond to your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

European Commission
Secretary-General
Transparency unit SG-B-4
BERL 5/282
B-1049 Bruxelles
or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Weyand', with a large, sweeping horizontal stroke underneath. To the right of the signature, the initials 'p.o.' are written.

Sabine Weyand