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Mr Bram Vranken On behalf of Vredesactie Patriottenstraat 27, 2600 Berchem

Reply by email: ask+request-4862d83f2024@asktheeu.org

## Subject: Your application for access to documents, Ref. N° GESTDEM 2017/7384

Dear Mr Vranken,

We refer to your e-mail dated 11 December 2017 in which you make a request for access to documents relating to:

- 1. Details of all stakeholders consulted (including member states, industry, academia and others) by President Juncker and his cabinet on the decision to establish:
- a) The European Defence Fund; and
- b) The Defence Industrial Development Programme.
- 2. Details of all meetings, including minutes of meetings, with all stakeholders identified under 1(a) and 1(b) respectively, in relation to:
- a) The European Defence Fund; and
- b) The Defence Industrial Development Programme.
- 3. All correspondence with the stakeholders identified under 1(a) and 1(b) respectively, in relation to:
- a) The European Defence Fund; and
- b) The Defence Industrial Development Programme.

Your application is currently being handled.

However, given the wide scope of your application, we will not be in a position to complete the handling of your application within the time limit of 15 working days. Therefore, we have to extend the time limit by 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 31 January 2018.

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

[e-Signed]

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Deputy Head of Unit