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Mr Bram Vranken On behalf of Vredesactie Patriottenstraat 27,

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Subject: Your application for access to documents, Ref. N° GESTDEM 2018/429

Dear Mr Vranken,

We refer to your e-mail dated 9 January 2018 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 High Representative of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security policy Federica Mogherini and her 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 2 March 2018.

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

[e-Signed]

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