



## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

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

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**Subject: Your request registered under *Gestdem* reference No 2018/1311**

Dear Mr Thompson,

We refer to your e-mail dated 05/03/2018, registered on the same day under the above-mentioned reference number, by which you made a request pursuant to Regulation 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents<sup>1</sup>

You requested: *"Correspondence (including emails) - which refer to Brexit/Britain's membership of the EU internal market or customs union - between Commission officials or representatives and any of the following individuals: Keir Starmer; Jeremy Corbyn; Seamus Milne; Seb Dance; or Chuka Umunna, between September 2017 and March 2018."*

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<sup>1</sup> Official Journal L145 of 31.05.2001, p.43.

We have to inform you that the Task Force for the Preparation and Conduct of the Negotiations with the United Kingdom under Article 50 of the TEU does not hold any documents falling within the scope of 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 relation to the ongoing Brexit negotiations you can find more information on our website: [https://ec.europa.eu/commission/brexit-negotiations\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/commission/brexit-negotiations_en)

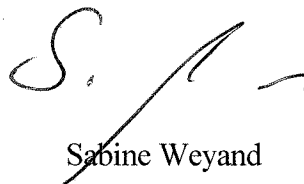
In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

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:

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European Commission  
Secretary-General  
Transparency unit SG-B-4  
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B-1049 Bruxelles or by email to: [sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu](mailto:sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu)

Yours sincerely,



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