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Dear Sir

**Subject: Your application for access to documents - the right to a family -  
GESTDEM 2018/3539**

We refer to your email dated 30 June 2018 registered on 02/07/2018 under the above-mentioned reference number, in which you make a request for access to documents which contain the following information: *all documents relating to how and when “the right to a family” became part of the European narrative, objectives, and the legal basis for this.*

We regret to inform you that the Commission does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application.

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, corresponding to the description given in your application, are held by the Commission, the Commission is not in a position to handle 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](mailto:sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu)

Yours faithfully

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