

## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND INCLUSION

The Director-General

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Dear Sir,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2019/0638

We refer to your e-mail dated 15/01/2019 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 04/02/2019 under the above-mentioned reference number. You request to "have access to documents containing information about the entitlements to family benefits and parental leave, including the amount of the benefits concerned, in a cross border situation between Poland and Greece".

Your request has been dealt with in accordance with Regulation 1049/2001 on public access to Commission documents.

I 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 fulfil 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 Secretariat-General of the Commission at the following address:

European Commission
Secretariat-General
Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)
BERL 7/076
B-1049 Bruxelles

or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

I take the opportunity to inform you that your request was probably not made to obtain access to documents held by the European Commission, but rather to receive information concerning your entitlements to family benefits and parental leave benefits in a cross-border situation between Poland and Greece. This information is not included in any existing document held by the Commission services. You can, however, find all useful information about your social security rights when moving in the EU by clicking on the following link:

https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=849&langId=en. You can also contact the relevant national authorities in Poland and Greece.

Yours faithfully,

Joost KORTE