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Dear Mr Carter,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2019/1933

We refer to your e-mail dated 07/03/2019 in which you make requests for access to documents, registered under the above-mentioned reference number and to our acknowledgement of receipt of 28 March 2019.

You request access to *“the minutes and all the documents related to the meetings between DG move and ERTRAC or any of its members, like Hidria”*.

In particular, the scope of your request concerns:

- *Minutes of all meetings between DG MOVE and members of the European Road Transport Research Advisory Council (ERTRAC). The time period should be 1st January 2015 until today.*
- *Any correspondence between DG MOVE and members of ERTRAC. This should include but not be limited to correspondence related to the aforementioned meetings, as well as all other email and letter exchanges. It should also include all attachments and accompanying documents contained within the correspondence.*

The documents concerning Hidria have already been provided by letter of 28 March 2019.

In annex, you will find the list of ERTRAC members that would be concerned by your request.

Your application concerns a very long list of ERTRAC Members with potentially a very large number of documents, which need to be assessed individually. Such a detailed analysis cannot be carried out within the normal time limits set out in Article 7(3) of Regulation 1049/2001.

In addition, Article 6(3) of the Regulation provides that in the event of an application relating potentially to a very large number of documents, the institution concerned may confer with the applicant informally, with a view to finding a fair solution.

In accordance with the case law of the EU Courts, such a solution can only concern the content or the number of documents which need to be sought, not the deadline for replying.¹ This means that the scope of the request must be reduced in a way that would enable its treatment within an extended deadline of 15 + 15 working days.

Based on the above-mentioned provision, we would kindly ask you to narrow down the scope of your request in particular the members of ERTRAC concerned by your request as well as the period covered, so as to reduce it to a more manageable amount of documents.

In order to enable us to respect the time limits of Regulation 1049/2001, we would ask you for a swift reply to our invitation to propose a fair solution, within five working days at the latest:

- by e-mail to: MOVE-ACCES-DOCUMENTS@ec.europa.eu

If you have any questions concerning the invitation, you can contact us:

- by e-mail to: MOVE-ACCES-DOCUMENTS@ec.europa.eu
- by telephone at: (+32) (0)2 299 1111

In the absence of a reply within five working days, we will unilaterally restrict the scope of your application to those parts that can be dealt with within the extended deadline of 30 working days, counting from the registration of your application (28/03/2019).

Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)

Barbara JANKOVEC
Head of Unit

¹ Judgment of the Court of Justice of 2 October 2014 in case C-127/13, *Guido Strack v Commission*, paragraphs 26-28.

Annex

ERTRAC members as indicated in ERTRAC Web page

Associations & Companies

ACEM - <http://www.acem.eu>

ASECAP - <http://www.asecap.com>

CLEPA - <http://www.clepa.eu>

- Continental - <http://www.conti-online.com>
- Robert Bosch GmbH - <http://www.bosch.com>
- Valeo - <http://www.valeo.com>

CONCAWE - <http://www.concawe.be>

EAPA - <http://www.eapa.org>

EARPA: - <http://www.earpa.eu>

- AVL List GmbH - <http://www.avl.com>
- FEV - <http://www.fev.com>
- Hidria - <http://www.hidria.com>
- IFP Energies Nouvelles - <http://www.ifpenergiesnouvelles.com>
- Fraunhofer LBF - <http://www.fraunhofer.de/en>
- Ricardo - <http://www.ricardo.com>

ECTRI - <http://www.ectri.org>

ERF - <http://www.erf.be>

ERTICO - <http://www.ertico.com>

ETRMA - <http://www.etrma.org>

EUCAR - <http://www.eucar.be>

- BMW - <http://www.bmwgroup.com>
- Centro Ricerche Fiat - <http://www.crf.it>
- MAN - <http://www.man.eu>
- Renault - <http://www.renault.com>
- Scania - <http://www.scania.com>
- Volkswagen - <http://www.volkswagen.com>
- Volvo - <http://www.volvogroup.com>

EUPAVE - <http://www.eupave.eu>

EUROBAT - <http://www.eurobat.org/>

FEHRL - <http://www.fehrl.org>

FIA - <http://www.fiabrussels.com>

IRU - <http://www.iru.org>

POLIS - <http://www.polisnetwork.eu>

UITP - <http://www.uitp.org>

Academia

RWTH Aachen University - <http://www.ika.rwth-aachen.de/en/>

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki - http://www.auth.gr/home/index_en.html

Universidad Politecnica de Madrid - <http://www.transyt.upm.es>

University of Florence - <http://www.unifi.it>

European Commission

DG Research - <http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=home&lg=en>

DG Mobility and Transport - http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/transport/index_en.htm

DG Communications Networks, Content and Technology - <http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/connect/>

DG Enterprise and Industry - http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/enterprise/index_en.htm

DG Environment - http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/environment/index_en.htm

DG Climate Action - http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/clima/mission/index_en.htm

EU Member States & Associated countries

Austria - <http://www.bmvit.gv.at>

Belgium - <http://www.mobilit.fgov.be>

Czech Republic - <http://www.cdv.cz>

Denmark - <http://www.vejdirektoratet.dk>

Finland - <http://www.fta.fi>

France - <http://www.recherche.gouv.fr>

Germany - <http://www.bmwi.de> - <http://www.bmwbw.de>

Greece - <http://www.yme.gr>

Hungary - <http://www.kti.hu>

Ireland - <http://www.nra.ie>

Netherlands - <http://www.rws.nl>

Norway - <http://www.vegvesen.no>

Poland - <http://www.ibdim.edu.pl/eng/>

Slovenia - <http://www.hidria.com>

Spain - <http://www.micinn.es>

Sweden - <http://www.trafikverket.se> - <http://www.vinnova.se/en/>

Switzerland - <http://www.astra.admin.ch>

Turkey - <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr>

UK - <http://www.dft.gov.uk> - <http://www.bis.gov.uk>

Observers

CEN/CENELEC - <http://www.cen.eu>

ERA-NET Transport - <http://www.transport-era.net>

ERA-NET INFRAVATION - <http://http://www.infravation.net>

ALICE ETP on Logistics - <http://www.etp-alice.eu>

EPoSS ETP on Smart Systems Integration - <http://www.smart-systems-integration.org>

ERRAC European Rail Research Advisory Council - <http://www.errac.org>

WATERBORNE Technology Platform - <http://www.waterborne-tp.org>

OECD International Transport Forum - <http://www.internationaltransportforum.org>