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Subject: Your request for access to documents under Regulation (EC) 1049/2001

Dear Ms Izuzquiza,

By letter of 28 March 2019, we informed you that the EDPS granted partial access to the documents in relation to your request of access to documents linked to meetings and correspondence of the EDPS with Facebook. In particular, the EDPS granted access to an email thread between Facebook and the EDPS, with which a meeting was requested and planned.

On 2 April 2019 you submitted a confirmatory application¹, reiterating your request for access to documents containing information about the date, individuals attending and organisational affiliation, as well as issues discussed in this meeting, minutes and other reports of the meeting, as well as all documents prepared for this meeting and/or exchanged during the course of the meeting.

Please be informed that the meeting took place on the 26 April 2018, as published on the EDPS website Agenda. However, we regret to inform you that the EDPS does not hold any documents related to this meeting, with the exception of the ones disclosed in the initial response.

In accordance with Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, the right of access, as defined in this Regulation, applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution.

¹ Please note that your request for confirmation of the EDPS' response to your initial application ("Could you please confirm...") is considered a confirmatory application in the sense of Article 8(1) of Regulation (EC) 1049/2001.

Finally, please note that pursuant to Article 8(1) of the Regulation (EC) 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a complaint to the European Ombudsman or institute proceedings before the Court of Justice of the European Union against the EDPS, under the conditions laid down in, respectively, Article 228 and 263 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

Yours sincerely,

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