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DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 4 OF THE IMPLEMENTING RULES TO REGULATION (EC) NO 1049/2001

Subject: Your confirmatory application for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 - GESTDEM 2019/1477

Dear Ms Martí,

I refer to your letter of 29 April 2019, registered on the same date, in which you submit a confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (hereafter ‘Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001’).

In your initial application of 11 March 2019, addressed to the Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development, you requested access to:

- all the correspondence (including phone calls, e-mails and files attached, letters) between the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion or belief outside the EU, Ján Figel, and churches, religious communities or any organizations representing churches and religious communities. The information is from May 2016;

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– a list of all meetings (from May 2016) and all documents produced and exchanged in those meetings between Ján Figel’ and churches, religious communities or any organizations representing churches and religious communities.

As you did not receive any initial reply from the Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development within the statutory deadlines, you submitted a confirmatory application on 29 April 2019, against the tacit refusal of access to the documents requested.

On 15 May 2019, the Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development sent you an initial reply to your application (Ares(2019)3194793), providing a partial access to 15 documents and refusing access to document 7.b.

The reason for your confirmatory application was the absence of any initial reply. As the Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development has in the meantime replied to your application, the Secretariat-General will close your confirmatory application.

Yours sincerely,

Maria Oliván Avilés
Head of Unit