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Subject: Confirmatory application for access to documents – Gestdem 2013/3659

Dear Mr Bekas,

I am writing in reference to your email of 27 August 2013, registered on 13 September 2013. In your letter you made a confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents¹ (hereafter Regulation 1049/2001).

I also refer to the holding reply dated 4 October 2013, by which the time limit for replying to your confirmatory request was extended by 15 working days pursuant to Article 8(2) of Regulation 1049/2001. This extension was required to pursue extensive coordination within Commission services. This extended time limit expires on 25 October 2013.

Unfortunately, we have not yet been able to gather at this stage all the elements we need to carry out a full analysis of your request in view of adopting a final decision. Therefore, we are unable to send our reply within the prescribed time limit indicated above.

We would like to assure you, however, that we are doing our utmost to provide you with an explicit decision as soon as possible. We regret this additional delay and apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Yours sincerely,

Gerard Legris
Head of Unit

¹ OJ L145, 31.05.2001 p.43