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Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2020/1766

Dear Mr. Terberg,

I refer to your email of 9 March 2020 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 30 March 2020 under the above mentioned reference number.

Your application is currently being handled. However, we will not be in a position to complete the handling of your application within the time limit of 15 working days, which expires on 23 April 2020.

An extended time limit is needed because the documents requested, in this case the agreed minutes with China, were co-authored by a third party. We are in the process of consulting the third-party authors on the disclosure of these documents and we are waiting for their decision.

Therefore, we have to extend the time limit with 15 working days in accordance with Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents. The new time limit expires on 14 May 2020.

We apologise for this delay and for any inconvenience this may cause.

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)

Davor PERCAN Head of Unit