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Subject: Your e-mail concerning your applications for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 - GESTDEM 2020/2444

Dear Mr Lasauskas,

I refer to your e-mail of 29 June 2020, registered on 2 July 2020, in which you submitted a confirmatory application, in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents¹ (hereafter ‘Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001’).

Your confirmatory application was submitted in relation to your initial application of 17 April 2020, addressed to the Secretariat-General of the European Commission, whereby you requested access to, I quote:

‘any documents on the issues related to Belarus nuclear power plant project in Astravyets (NPP Astravyets), its nuclear safety and security and its adverse environmental, economic and the security of energy supply effects as well as possible adverse impact on the stability of energy supply and transmission systems in the Union. This in particular concerns the territorial areas of the Union, including but not limited to the territories neighbouring the Republic of Belarus and the Russian Federation, that may be affected by this project. This request also concerns all and any documents testifying the actions requested from, initiated by and deployed through the Union bodies to mitigate those adverse effects (...).’

¹ OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43.

On 28 April 2020, the Secretariat-General informed you that your request was split and re-attributed to several Directorates-General/Services. Your request referenced GESTDEM 2020/2444 was attributed to the Directorate-General for Environment.

As you did not receive the reply from the above-mentioned Directorate-General within the statutory time limits, you submitted, on 29 June 2020, a confirmatory application.

I note, however, that on 10 July 2020, the Directorate-General for Environment provided you the reply to your initial application.

As the Directorate-General for Environment has in the meantime sent you a full reply to your application, the Secretariat-General will close this confirmatory application. Please note that this is without prejudice to your right to submit a new confirmatory application if you do not agree with the position of the Directorate-General for Environment, as reflected in its reply of 10 July 2020.

Yours sincerely,

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