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DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR EUROPEAN CIVIL PROTECTION AND HUMANITARIAN AID OPERATIONS (ECHO)

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Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2020/3449

Dear Mr Schindler,

We refer to your e-mail of 05 June 2020 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 08 June 2020 under the above-mentioned reference number.

We regret to inform you that Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO) does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application. In years 2018 and 2019 we always received postal addresses from the respective requestors.

As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution. Given that no such documents, corresponding to the description given in your application, are held by DG ECHO, DG ECHO is not in a position to fulfil your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretariat-General of the Commission at the following address:

European Commission
Secretariat-General
Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)

BERL 7/076
B-1049 Brussels
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or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

According to standard operational procedure, the reply is usually also sent to you by registered post. Please note, however, that due to the extraordinary health and security measures currently in force during to the COVID-19 epidemics, which include the requirement for all Commission non-critical staff to telework, this communication will be sent only by e-mail.

We would therefore appreciate if you could confirm receipt of the present e-mail by replying to ECHO-DOC-ACCES@ec.europa.eu

Yours faithfully,

[E-signed]

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Director General