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***By registered letter
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Subject: Your application for access to documents - Ref GestDem No 2020/3696

Dear Mr Hoedeman,

I refer to your email dated 16/06/2020 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 17/06/2020 under the above mentioned reference number.

You request access to documents which contain the following information:

- minutes and other reports of meetings between the European Commission and private healthcare companies (including Fresenius Helios /Quironsalud, Asklepios, Ramsay Health, Sana Kliniken, Elsan, Gruppo San Donato and Capiro), professional services firms (including PWC, Deloitte, KPMG, EY and McKinsey) as well as with lobby groups and thinktanks (including the European alliance for cost efficiency in healthcare (COSTEFF), Health Consumer Powerhouse, etc.), where medical care and healthcare issues (including health sector reform, patients choice, cross-border healthcare, or healthcare service markets) were discussed (from June 1st 2017 till today).

- all correspondence (including emails) between the European Commission and private healthcare companies (including Fresenius Helios /Quironsalud, Asklepios, Ramsay Health, Sana Kliniken, Elsan, Gruppo San Donato and Capiro), professional services firms (including PWC, Deloitte, KPMG, EY and McKinsey) as well as with lobby groups and thinktanks (including the European alliance for cost efficiency in healthcare (COSTEFF), Health Consumer Powerhouse, etc.), where medical care and healthcare issues (including health sector reform, patients choice, cross-border healthcare, or healthcare service markets) were discussed (from June 1st 2017 till today).

We regret to inform you that DG GROW does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application.

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 GROW, DG GROW 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)
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Yours faithfully,

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