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|  | Brussels, 14 September 2020 |
| Mr Antonio Grizzuti  Email: Antonio Grizzuti <ask+request-8416-0d838373@asktheeu.org> | |
| Ref. 20/1418-em/vk  Request made on: 03.08.2020  Deadline extension: 24.08.2020 | |
| Dear Mr Grizzuti*,* | |

Thank you for your request for access to documents of the Council of the European Union.[[1]](#footnote-1)

Please find below the breakdown of the costs regarding the Special European Council of 17-21 July 2020, which takes into account also all the additional measures taken due to COVID-19. Please note that only costs paid by the General Secretariat of the Council to its contractors are included. Information on costs paid by the Members States (travel, hotels etc.) is not in the possession of the Secretariat.

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| **Costs of European Council meeting on 17-21/07/2020**  **(uninterrupted 4 days and 4 nights)** | | |
| Interpretation | Interpretation services incl. technical installation | € 705.750,00 |
| Security Equipment and services | Building security and surveillance, rental of security technical equipment | € 387.542,46 |
| Audiovisual services to the press | Technical equipment and installations, broadcast | € 574.734,61 |
| Catering | Catering to heads of state, delegations and escorts | € 157.822,18 |
| Building equipment and services | Cleaning, building technical maintenance, safety equipment, facility helpdesk services | € 279.160,26 |
| Others | Additionnal medical service, badges, branding, other rental | € 76.071,75 |
| **Total** |  | **€ 2.181.081,26** |

Yours sincerely,

Fernando FLORINDO

1. The General Secretariat of the Council has examined your request on the basis of the applicable rules: Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43) and the specific provisions concerning public access to Council documents set out in Annex II to the Council's Rules of Procedure (Council Decision No 2009/937/EU, OJ L 325, 11.12.2009, p. 35). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)