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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2020/6054

Dear Mr Kieninger,

We refer to your e-mail dated 9 October 2020 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 12 October 2020 under the above-mentioned reference number.

Your application for access to documents was split among different Commission services, whereby each part is attributed to the respective Commission service under a separate Gestdem reference number. Each Directorate-General service provides its own, separate reply, which relates only to the documents held by that service.

DG CLIMA reply covers the following scope “*access to the minutes of the following meetings:*”

- i. *by Frans Timmermans on 14/05/2020 with ArcelorMittal (AM) on Recovery, climate neutrality and carbon border adjustment*
- ii. *by Frans Timmermans on 12/05/2020 with CEMBUREAU - The European Cement Association (CEMBUREAU) on Recovery, climate neutrality, carbon border adjustment*
- iii. *by Frans Timmermans on 10/02/2020 with Industriegewerkschaft Metall (IG Metall) on Industrial decarbonisation and the Green Deal: challenges for the European steel industry and workers in the transformation*
- iv. *by Antoine Colombani on 18/09/2020 with "FTI Consulting Belgium and RUSAL Global Management B.V. and Federation of Aluminium Consumers in Europe (FACE)" on Green Deal and low-carbon aluminium*
- v. *by Antoine Colombani on 09/07/2020 with BUSINESSEUROPE on Climate and trade, carbon Border Adjustment*
- vi. *by Director-General Mauro Petriccione on 15/07/2020 with Eni S.p.A. on Climate policy developments*

- vii. *by Director-General Mauro Petriccione on 07/04/2020 with BUSINESSEUROPE on Climate initiatives under the European Green Deal”*

Your application concerns the following documents:

	Author	Date	Reference
1	European Commission	14/04/2020	Ares(2020)2044860
2	European Commission	17/07/2020	Ares(2020)3782034

Please find the identified document enclosed with this letter. However, I regret to inform you that I cannot give you access to some parts of the documents.

A complete disclosure of the above-mentioned documents is prevented by the exception concerning the protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual outlined in Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, because they contain: names and contact information of Commission staff members not pertaining to the senior management; names and contact details of other natural persons; other information relating to an identified.

Article 9(1)(b) of the Data Protection Regulation does not allow the transmission of these personal data, except if you prove that it is necessary to have the data transmitted to you for a specific purpose in the public interest and where there is no reason to assume that the legitimate interests of the data subject might be prejudiced. In your request, you do not express any particular interest to have access to these personal data nor do you put forward any arguments to establish the necessity to have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest.

Consequently, I conclude that, pursuant to Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access cannot be granted to the personal data contained in the requested documents, as the need to obtain access thereto for a purpose in the public interest has not been substantiated and there is no reason to think that the legitimate interests of the individuals concerned would not be prejudiced by disclosure of the personal data concerned.

In case you would disagree with this position, you are entitled, in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, to submit 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
Unit C.1. ‘Transparency, Document Management and Access to Documents’
BERL 7/076
B-1049 Brussels, or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)

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