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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2021/2140

Dear Ms Hakuma,

We refer to your e-mail dated 7 April 2021 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 8 April 2021 under the above-mentioned reference number.

Your submitted application for access to documents covers topics falling under the responsibility of different Commission services. In that regard, your request was split in two separate requests, whereby each part is attributed to the respective Commission service under a separate Gestdem reference number. The Secretariat General of the Commission will provide its own, separate reply.

The scope of your request that concerns DG CLIMA is the following: “*the minutes of the following meetings:*”

- i. *05 Feb 2021 - Meeting between Director-General Mauro Raffaele Petriccione and IOGP - Hydrogen*
- ii. *19 May 2020 - Meeting between Director-General Mauro Raffaele Petriccione and IOGP- Hydrogen and CCS*
- iii. *07 Apr 2020 - Meeting between Director-General Mauro Raffaele Petriccione and Business Europe - Climate initiatives under the European Green Deal”*

DG CLIMA has identified the following documents:

	Author	Date	Reference
1	European Commission	08/02/2021	Ares(2021)1095552
2	European Commission	28/05/2020	Ares(2020)2781248
3	European Commission	14/04/2020	Ares(2020)2044860

Following an examination of identified documents under the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents and taking into account the opinion of the third party, I regret to inform you that a complete disclosure of the 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 and other information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person.

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 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.

Please note that these documents were drawn up for internal use. They solely reflect the author's interpretation of the interventions made and do not set out any official position of the third parties to which the document refers, which were not consulted on its content. They do not reflect the position of the Commission and cannot be quoted as such.

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'

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B-1049 Brussels, or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)

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