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By registered letter with acknowledgment of receipt

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**Subject:** Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2021/6729

Dear Madam,

We refer to your e-mail of 10/11/2021 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 11/11/2021 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to:

- 1) All correspondence, including emails, sent and received between DG AGRI and representatives from the European Meat and Livestock Trades Union (UECBV) since 01/01/2020 regarding the following policies:
- a. EU Climate Law
- b. EU Green Deal
- c. Methane Strategy
- d. Biodiversity Strategy
- e. LULUCF
- f. Farm to Fork
- 2) All documentation, including but not limited to, attendance lists, agendas, background papers, minutes/notes and email correspondence about or summarising, the following meetings:
- a. Meeting titled "Green Deal + Farm to Fork Objectives" between representatives from the European Meat and Livestock Trades Union (UECBV) and DG AGRI representatives Roberto Berutti and Janusz Wojciechowski on 23/11/2020.

We have identified three documents with annex falling within the scope of the point 2 of your request (no document was identified for point 1). You will find enclosed a list of the documents identified, as well as copies of the aforementioned four documents.

## Documents numbers: 01, 02, 03

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Secretariat-General

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Yours faithfully,

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Enclosure: List of identified documents and 3 documents with annex