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Dear Ms Frida Kieninger,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2022/2285

We refer to your request addressed to the Commission to access documents, dated 20 April 2022, registered on 21 April 2022 under the following reference number: GESTDEM 2022/2407.

Your request concerns:

- "1- all correspondence (including email, SMS, private twitter and WhatsApp) since 1st February 2022 between officials from the Secretariat General, particularly the Recovery and Resilience Task Force with representatives from the oil and gas industry, namely the following associations: Eurogas, GIE, Gas4Climate, IOGP, Marcogaz, FuelsEurope and GasNaturally in which the EU's response to Ukraine invasion, particularly the RePowerEU communication was discussed.
- 2- any briefings prepared for the Secretariat General, particularly the Recovery and Resilience Task Force with representatives from the oil and gas industry, namely the following associations: Eurogas, GIE, Gas4Climate, IOGP, Marcogaz, FuelsEurope and GasNaturally in which the EU's response to Ukraine invasion, particularly the RePowerEU communication was discussed.
- 3 list of meetings since since since 1st February 2022 between officials from the Secretariat General, particularly the Recovery and Resilience Task Force with representatives from the oil and gas industry, namely the following associations:

Eurogas, GIE, Gas4Climate, IOGP, Marcogaz, FuelsEurope and GasNaturally in which the EU's response to Ukraine invasion, particularly the RePowerEU communication was discussed.

4 - minutes of the meetings mentioned above

5 – any briefings prepared ahead of meetings between officials from the Secretariat General, particularly the Recovery and Resilience Task Force with representatives from the oil and gas industry, namely the following associations: Eurogas, GIE, Gas4Climate, IOGP, Marcogaz, FuelsEurope and GasNaturally in which the EU's response to Ukraine invasion, particularly the RePowerEU communication was discussed."

The Secretariat General of the European Commission does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application. Please note that no documents were released in the Commission's reply to request for access to documents 2021/8003, to which you refer in your letter.

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 the Secretariat General of the European Commission, the Commission 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 of 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 unit (SG.C.1)
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or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu.

This letter is sent to your attention by email. We invite you to confirm the good acknowledgment of receipt of this email within the 5 days of receipt.

Yours sincerely,

e-signed

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