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Request for public access to ECB documents

Dear Mr Ryan,

On 8 January 2014 the European Central Bank (ECB) received your request for access to “*all correspondence with Ireland in relation to the KFW bank decision to lend to Irish SMEs*”, which we interpreted as all correspondence on this subject matter between the ECB and the Irish authorities.

We have thoroughly searched for such correspondence and would like to inform you that the ECB did not correspond with the Irish authorities regarding the decision of KFW bank to lend to Irish SMEs.

Yours sincerely,

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Director General Secretariat

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