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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2015/2067

Dear Sir,

We refer to your e-mails dated 8 and 9 April 2015, respectively. In them you submitted a request for access to documents, registered on 9 April 2015 under the above mentioned reference number.

1. SCOPE OF THE REQUEST

Your request concerns "*[a]ll documents, minutes of meetings, correspondence and evidence of interaction between Cuadrilla and/or ConocoPhillips and DG Research and Innovation relating to the European Science & Technology Network on Unconventional Hydrocarbon Extraction in the last two years*".

2. IDENTIFICATION OF THE CONCERNED DOCUMENTS AND ASSESSMENT

Your application is considered to fall within the scope of *Regulation (EC) N°1049/2001*.

We regret to inform you that no documents were found that would correspond to the description given in your application. Please note that DG RTD had no interaction with *Cuadrilla and/or ConocoPhillips* relating to the European Science & Technology Network on Unconventional Hydrocarbon Extraction.

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 have been identified, the Commission is not in a position to handle your request. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience this may cause.

3. MEANS OF REDRESS

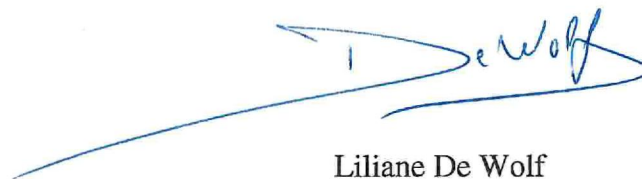
In accordance with Article 7(2) of *Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001*, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

European Commission
Secretary-General
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Yours sincerely,



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