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Dear Sir,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2015/2334

We refer to your e-mail dated 21 April 2015 in which you make a request for access to documents to DG SANTE, registered on 22 April 2015 under the above mentioned reference number.

We regret to inform you that no documents were found in DG Health & Food Safety (DG SANTE) that would correspond to the description given in your application.

Indeed, as specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that Regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of DG SANTE.

Given that no such documents have been identified, DG SANTE is not in a position to handle your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 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 Transparency unit SG-B-4 BERL 5/327 B-1049 Bruxelles

or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Mr Lucas Fourquet PLTV 10 rue Nicolas Appert 75011 Paris France Please be advised that this reply only covers aspects related to food safety as during the last internal reorganization of the Commission Services, the former SANCO Directorate B "Consumer affairs" has been transferred to DG Justice and Consumers (DG JUST). In case your request for access to documents was aimed to cover other aspects of consumer protection than food safety, you might wish to consider expanding your request for access to documents to DG JUST.

Yours sincerely,

Frans Verstraete

Acting Head of Unit