

## EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE



Head of Division

Brussels, **04 JUL. 2016**  
eeas.sg.affgen.2 (2016) 3725903

Mr. Philip Jacobson  
[ask+request-2500-b783f125@asktheeu.org](mailto:ask+request-2500-b783f125@asktheeu.org)

*Subject: Your request for access to documents*  
*Our ref: 2016/006 & 2016/007*

Dear Mr. Jacobson,

Thank you for your email dated 29 March, regarding access to the documents that are held by the European External Action Service.

I apologize for the late response. As explained in our previous letter, Article 4.4 of Regulation 1049/2001 obliges us to consult the third parties concerned to know whether their documents can be released. Unfortunately, we have not received their agreement.

I therefore regret to inform you that the requested documents cannot be made available to you.

Yours sincerely

Gabriele Visentin

The European External Action Service  
EEAS/06 PAYO (PARC)  
B- 1046 Brussels  
[access-to-documents@eeas.europa.eu](mailto:access-to-documents@eeas.europa.eu)