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Dear Sir,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2016/3873

We refer to your e-mail dated 11 July 2016 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 12 July under the above mentioned reference number.

You request to have access to documents which contain the following information: list of meetings, and/or minutes of those meetings, and/or list of participants in those meetings, between any TAXUD officials and third parties/lobbyists where the update of the 4th Anti Money Laundering Directive was discussed.

We regret to inform you that no documents were found 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 the institution.

Given that no such documents have been identified, the Commission 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 5/282
B-1049 Bruxelles

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

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Quest'.

Stephen Quest
Director general