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Subject: Your confirmatory application for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 - GESTDEM 2017/6003

Dear Mr Teffer,

I refer to your e-mail of 21 December 2017, by which you submit a confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents¹ ('Regulation 1049/2001').

Your confirmatory application was submitted in relation to your initial request of 13 October 2017 in which you asked for access to the *[r]eplied by the European Commission to the joint letter sent by the European Commission and EU consumer authorities to the CEO of Volkswagen*.

Your request was attributed to Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers (DG JUST) for handling and reply.

¹ Official Journal L 145 of 31.5.2001, p. 43.

In its reply dated 17 November 2017, DG JUST refused access to the document requested on the basis of the exceptions protecting the purpose of the ongoing investigation and the decision-making process, provided for, respectively, in Article 4(2), third indent and Article 4(3) of Regulation 1049/2001. In your confirmatory application of 21 December 2017 you contest that position.

Please note that the document requested is now publically available on Europa website², where you can access it.

Consequently, the Secretariat-General will close your confirmatory application.

Yours sincerely,



Martin Kröger
Head of Unit

² http://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/just/item-detail.cfm?item_id=611369.