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Mr Mathias Schindler

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Dear Mr Schindler,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2018/5124

We refer to your e-mail dated 30 September 2018 in which you make a request for access to “all relevant information pertaining to the terms and the concepts of ‘preparedness’ and ‘contingency’” from the Commission’s Brexit Preparedness Group.

We consider that your request covers documents that define the terms and concepts of “preparedness” and “contingency” held from 1 December 2017, date of the creation of the Brexit Preparedness Group, up to the date of your initial application, i.e. 30 September 2018.

Your application concerns the following two documents, which are already publicly available:

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| 1 | The video of Mr Pascal Leardini’s intervention on behalf of the Brexit Preparedness Group before the Committee on Constitutional Affairs (AFCD) of the European Parliament on 2 July 2018 https://ec.europa.eu/info/publications/preparing-withdrawal-united-kingdom-european-union-30-march-2019_en |
| 2 | The Commission Communication on Brexit Preparedness of 19 July 2018 https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52018DC0556R%2801%29 |

In this context, you may also be interested in the second Commission Communication on Brexit Preparedness adopted on 13 November 2018, which is available under the following link: https://ec.europa.eu/info/publications/communication-preparing-withdrawal-united-kingdom-european-union-30-march-2019-contingency-action-plan-13-11-2018_en

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

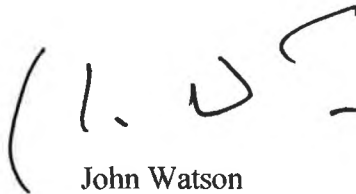
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or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Watson', enclosed in a large, stylized bracket.

John Watson
Director