

## EUROPEAN COMMISSION SECRETARIAT-GENERAL

Director (acting)

Brussels, 19.07.2013 SG/MS

Dear Sir,

## Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2013/3770

We refer to your e-mail dated 11/07/2013 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 17/07/2013 under the above mentioned reference number.

Your application is currently being handled. However, we will not be in a position to complete the handling of your application within the time limit of 15 working days, which expires on 07/08/2013.

An extended time limit is needed as your application covers potentially a wide range of officials and units in the Secretariat-General as well as many types of documents ("all correspondence, including emails"). To this adds that the time period covered by your request (April 2011 until July 2013) is particularly long. Finally, documents may originate from third parties which have to be consulted.

Therefore, we have to extend the time limit with 15 working days in accordance with Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents. The new time limit expires on 29/08/2013.

We apologise for this delay and for any inconvenience this may cause.

Yours faithfully,

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