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Subject: Your application for access to documents - Ref GESTDEM 2019/4990

Dear Ms Tran.

We refer to your e-mail dated 25 August 2019 in which you make a request for access to documents. Your request relating to documents held by the Directorate-General for Competition has been registered under the above-mentioned reference number. This reply relates only to documents held by DG Competition.

Your application concerns access to documents which contain the following information:

- 1. Any information or communication with member states or industry stakeholders in relation to the free movement of goods of finished products (hemp buds, vaping, cosmetics, food supplements, etc.) containing cannabidiol (abbreviated as CBD).
- 2. Any information or communication related to the member states and/or the EU institutions' position in regards to finished products currently on the market that contain CBD.
- 3. Any plan to develop a common EU position with regards to CBD products in order to secure the Single Market.

We regret to inform you that DG Competition does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application.

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, corresponding to the description given in your application, are held by DG Competition, we are not in a position to fulfil 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
Secretariat-General
Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)
BERL 7/076
B-1049 Bruxelles or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours faithfully,

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