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Subject: Your e-mail concerning your applications for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 - GESTDEM 2020/3406

Dear Ms Kahya,

I refer to your e-mail of 17 August 2020, registered on the next day, in which you submitted a confirmatory application, in accordance with Article 7(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents¹ (hereafter ‘Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001’).

Your confirmatory application was submitted in relation to your initial application of 4 June 2020, addressed to the Directorate-General for Trade, whereby you requested access to, I quote:

‘[documents of] a joint committee, specialized committees, and dialogues meeting documents of South Korea FTA [...]. Especially the documents which were about the negotiation process before 2011.’

As you did not receive the reply from the above-mentioned Directorate-General within the statutory time limits, you submitted, on 17 August 2020, a confirmatory application.

I note, however, that on 19 November 2020, the Directorate-General for Trade provided you the reply to your initial application, referenced Ares(2020)6927383.

¹ OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43.

As the Directorate-General for Trade has in the meantime sent you a full reply to your application, the Secretariat-General will close this confirmatory application. Please note that this is without prejudice to your right to submit a new confirmatory application if you do not agree with the position of the Directorate-General for Trade, as reflected in its reply of 19 November 2020.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Unit