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Subject: Your application for public access to documents – GestDem Ref No 2020/4655

Dear Ms Roxburgh,

We refer to your email dated 31/07/2020 in which you submitted an application for access to documents, within the framework of Regulation (EC) 1049/2001¹.

1. Scope of your request

You requested access to the following:

- 'All documentation (including but not limited to all email correspondence, attendance lists, agendas, background papers, transcripts, recordings and minutes/notes) relating to the meetings listed below:
- Between Jean-Eric Paquet and Safran on 5th June 2020'.

We have identified one document falling under the scope of your request (hereinafter the 'requested document), namely:

- 'Briefing meeting JEP aviation stakeholders 05.06.2020'.

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¹ Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43), hereinafter referred to as 'Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001'.

2. EXAMINATION UNDER REGULATION (EC) No 1049/2001

We are pleased to inform you that partial access can be granted to the requested document. Please note that personal data have been expunged, in accordance with the exception provided under Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, such as the names and contact details of the Commission's officials not having the function of senior management staff, as explained below:

Protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual

According to Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access must be refused where disclosure would undermine the protection of "privacy and the integrity of the individual", in particular in accordance with European Union legislation regarding the protection of personal data².

Pursuant to Article 9(1)(b) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, personal data shall only be transmitted to recipients established in the Union other than Union institutions and bodies if "[t]he recipient establishes that it is necessary to have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest and the controller, where there is any reason to assume that the data subject's legitimate interests might be prejudiced, establishes that it is proportionate to transmit the personal data for that specific purpose after having demonstrably weighed the various competing interests".

The European Commission has to examine the further conditions for a lawful processing of personal data only if the first condition is fulfilled, namely if the recipient has established that it is necessary to have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest. In your request, you do not put forward any arguments to establish the necessity to have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest.

Therefore, personal data has been withheld from the requested document.

Please note that the exception of Article 4(1)(b) has an absolute character and does not envisage the possibility of demonstrating the existence of an overriding public interest.

3. <u>DISCLAIMER AND RE-USE OF THE DOCUMENT</u>

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² Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39).

4. MEANS OF REDRESS

Should you wish this position to be reconsidered, in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) 1049/2001, you are entitled to present in writing, within fifteen working days from receipt of this letter, a confirmatory application to the Commission's Secretary-General at the following address:

European Commission Secretary-General Unit SG C.1 – Transparency, document management & access to documents BERL 7/076 B-1049 Brussels

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

Yours sincerely,

Reinhard Schulte

Enclosure: the requested document, expunged from personal data.