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Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2020/4735

Dear Venetia Roxburgh,

I refer to your email dated 4 August 2020, registered the following day, in which you make a request for access to documents, under the above mentioned reference number.

Your request concerns: '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: 1. Between ENGIE and Commissioner Virginijus Sinkevičius and Camilla Bursi, Cabinet member of Virginijus Sinkevičius on the 3rd June 2020'.

Two documents have been identified in the scope of your request:

- 1. E-mail correspondence with ENGIE organizing the 3rd June meeting document Ares (2020)709277)
- 2. The meeting report drafted.- document Ares (2020)4390554

With regard to the first document, a complete disclosure of the identified documents is prevented by the exception concerning the protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual outlined in Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, because they contain the following personal data:

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- other information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person.

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Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretariat-General of the Commission at the following address:

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Unit C.1. 'Transparency, Document Management and Access to Documents'
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Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)

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