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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2021/6388

Dear Mr Pace.

We refer to your e-mail dated 27/10/2021 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to:

All documents—including but not limited to correspondence, emails, minutes, notes (hand written or electronic), audio or video recordings, verbatim reports, operational conclusions, lines to take, briefings, and presentations—related to the meeting on 21 October 2021 between Tatiana Marquez Uriarte and Stefano Grassi and Shell Company.

Your application concerns the following documents:

Ares reference	Date	Title
Ares(2021)3869896	14/06/2021	VTC MEETING REQUEST SG/LC open date with Shell on FF55 - RED reform and Sectoral Roadmaps to NZE
Ares(2021)3982965	18/06/2021	[Re] VTC MEETING REQUEST SG/LC open date with Shell on FF55
Ares(2021)6516690	21/10/2021	Meeting Stefano Grassi with Shell representatives

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Yours sincerely

[e-signed]

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