

## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

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**Subject:** Your request for access to documents – GESTDEM 2021/8090

Dear Ms Hirst,

We refer to your le-mail of 10 December 2021 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 14 December 2021 under the above-mentioned reference number in which you requested:

"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 2021-11-29 between Joan Canton and Apple Inc.."

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

As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) No 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 the Commission, the Commission is not in a position to fulfil your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 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 Secretariat-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 Brussels

or by email to: <a href="mailto:sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu">sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu</a>

Yours faithfully,

Kerstin JORNA Director-General

(electronically signed)