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**Subject: Consultation pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents – GESTDEM 2022/0141**

Dear Ms Roxburgh,

We refer to your request of 5 January 2022 for access to documents under the reference number mentioned above.

You requested access to all documentation (including but not limited to all email correspondence, attendance lists, agendas, background papers, transcripts, recordings and minutes/notes) relating to the meeting listed below:

1. Between Eurofer and Jorge Pinto Antunes and Maciej Golubiewski, Cabinet members of Commissioner Janusz Wojciechowski on 19 October 2021
2. Between Eurofer and Antoine Colombani, Cabinet member of Executive Vice-President Frans Timmermans on 7 June 2021.
3. Between Eurofer and Gints Freimanis, Cabinet member of Executive Vice-President Valdis Dombrovskis on 3 May 2021

This reply relates only to the exchanges and meetings with stakeholders organised by either the cabinet of Executive Vice-President Timmermans or by members of his Cabinet.

It includes the documents below:

- Ares(2021) 3066394 Request of the meeting with AEGIS Europe on 7 June 2021
- Ares(2021) 3066394 Comments of AEGIS Europe on CBAM public consultation

- Ares (2022) 381623 Minutes of the meeting of Antoine Colombani with AEGIS on 7 June 2021

Note that Eurofer attended the meeting as part of the same umbrella organization (AEGIS) and not an individual basis.

In your application, you indicate that your address is in United Kingdom (UK). Transfers of personal data from the Commission to countries that are not members of the European Economic Area (EEA), or to international organisations are regulated under Chapter V of the Data Protection Regulation.

According to Article 47(1) of this Regulation, a transfer of personal data to a third country or an international organisation may take place where the Commission has decided that the third country, a territory or one or more specified sectors within that country, or the international organisation in question ensures an adequate level of protection and where the personal data are transferred solely to allow tasks within the competence of the controller to be carried out.

Based on the information available, the country of your residence is recognised by the Commission as ensuring an adequate level of protection. However, we would further like to inform you that Article 9(1) (b) of the Data Protection Regulation does not allow the transmission of these personal data, except if you prove that it is necessary to have the data transmitted to you for a specific purpose in the public interest and where there is no reason to assume that the legitimate interests of the data subject might be prejudiced. 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.

Consequently, I conclude that, pursuant to Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access cannot be granted to the personal data contained in the requested documents, as the need to obtain access thereto for a purpose in the public interest has not been substantiated and there is no reason to think that the legitimate interests of the individuals concerned would not be prejudiced by disclosure of the personal data concerned.

The minutes were drawn up for internal use under the responsibility of the relevant Cabinet. They solely reflect the author's interpretation of the discussion and do not set out any official position of the third parties to which the document refers, which were not consulted on its content. They do not reflect the position of the Commission and cannot be quoted as such.

Yours faithfully,

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