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Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2022/2231

Dear Mr Pace,

We refer to your email of 14 April 2022 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 17 April 2022 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 March 28 between Kadri Simson and International Association of Oil & Gas Producers Europe.

Your application concerns the following documents:

Ares reference	Date	Title
Ares(2022)895312	03/02/2022	MEETING REQUEST KS - Open date - With Dawn Summers, President of the IOGP European Board
Ares(2022)2135269	23/03/2022	POSITIVE REPLY: MEETING REQUEST KS - Open date

Commission européenne/Europese Commissie, 1049 Bruxelles/Brussel, BELGIQUE/BELGIË - Tel. +32 22991111 Office: DM24 07/004 - Tel. direct line +32 229-67304

Ares(2022)3269571	28/03/2022	20220328 TMU - Meeting Kadri Simson with IOGP

I am glad to inform you that you can have wide partial access to all documents, subject only to the redaction of personal data. Please find enclosed redacted copies of these documents.

A complete disclosure of these 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 it contains the following personal data:

- the names/initials and contact information of Commission staff members not pertaining to the senior management;
- the names and contact details of other natural persons.

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 express any particular interest to have access to these personal data nor do you put forward any arguments to establish the necessity to have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest.

Access is granted to minutes of a meeting with external parties. This document was drawn up for internal use under the responsibility of the relevant service. It solely reflects the service's interpretation of the interventions made and does not set out any official position of the third parties to which the document refers, which was not consulted on its content. It does not reflect the position of the Commission and cannot be quoted as such.

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
Unit C.1. 'Transparency, Document Management and Access to Documents (SG.C.1)
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Yours faithfully,

(e-signed)

Anne-Charlotte BOURNOVILLE Head of Unit