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DG Resource Management
The Director-General

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Mr Andrea Glioti
by electronic mail

Subject: Your confirmatory request for access to documents

Ref: 2022/129

Dear Mr Glioti,

Thank you for your confirmatory application of 29 September 2022, following your request for access to documents (EEAS ref: 2022/129).

I have re-examined your initial request from 2 August 2022 where you requested access to documents, which contain the following information: *“1) The list of trainings delivered by EU agencies (including Frontex) to the Lebanese Armed Forces, since August 2019. 2) Any training material for the Lebanese Armed Forces in the field of border management (trainings delivered by EU agencies, including Frontex), since August 2019. 3) Any communication between EEAS and the international organisation named “International Centre for Migration Policy Development” (ICMPD), relating to Lebanon, since August 2019. 4) The content of the Power Point presentation delivered by the Lebanese Army in occasion of the conference held in Amman in December 2021 and that saw the participation of the Arab Interior Ministers Council (AIMC), Frontex, and the EEAS. According to material released through Freedom of Information Requests, EEAS had four delegates at the event, and they should have retained a copy of this presentation by one of their key partners in the region. The presentation was sent by the Lebanese army via email (email’s object “Consolidated PPT Lebanon” on December 1, 2021 at 8:02:40 AM and named “EABSC 2021.pptx”).”*

In its reply of 14 September 2022, with the reference 2022/129, the relevant service of the EEAS in charge of handling requests for access to documents (SG.2 “Parliamentary Affairs”) informed you that on the basis of the information you provided, a search for documents had been conducted in the European External Action Service (EEAS) filing systems and document management databases. However, no documents matching your request had been identified.

Following a new search for the requested documents, I hereby confirm that the EEAS does not hold any document matching your application.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right, in accordance with Article 8 of the Regulation, to institute court proceedings against the European External Action Service and/or make a complaint to the Ombudsman, under the conditions laid down in Articles 263 and 228 of the Treaty of the Functioning of the EU respectively.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Di Vita', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Gianmarco Di Vita