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By registered letter with acknowledgment of receipt

Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2022/4798

Dear Sir.

We refer to your e-mail of 24 August 2022 in which you make a request for access to all documents, correspondence (including emails and WhatsApp messages) between the European Commission's Directorate-General for Budget and the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) since 02 March 2016. Also, all minutes and any other records of the meetings between representatives of the ICMPD and the Commissioners, Members of their Cabinet or Director-Generals, as documented in the EU Transparency Register.

We regret to inform you that DG Budget 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 DG Budget, we are 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
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Yours faithfully,

Electronically signed

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