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Dear Sir,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2022/5135

We refer to your e-mail of 12/09/2022 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 13/09/2022 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to: all correspondence relating to the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) between stakeholders and Commissioner Wojciechowski and/or his cabinet, as well as minutes of any meetings that discussed the IED between stakeholders and Commissioner Wojciechowski and/or his cabinet, for the time period 14th March 2022 to 4th April 2022.

Your application concerns the following document: Letter from Copa-Cogeca to Commissioner Wojciechowski, ref. Ares(2022)2499980, 04/04/2022.

You will find enclosed redacted copy of the aforementioned document.

With regard to the document mentioned above, a complete disclosure of the identified document 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 details of other natural persons,
- handwritten signatures/abbreviated signatures of 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.

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

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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.

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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'

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B-1049 Brussels, or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours faithfully,

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Enclosure: 1 document