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***By email only with request for
acknowledgement of receipt:***
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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2022/5590

Dear Ms Verheecke,

I refer to your application dated 27 September 2022, in which you make a request for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001¹ ('Regulation 1049/2001'), registered on 30 September under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to:

“All documentation (including but not limited to all email correspondence, attendance lists, agendas, background papers, transcripts and recordings) AND the meeting minutes/notes relating to the meetings between Dermot Ryan and EUROPE INDIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE on 18th May 2020.”

We inform you that we do not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application. Please also be aware that Mr Ryan is no longer in the services of the European Commission.

As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution.

¹ Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43).

Given that no such documents, corresponding to the description given in your application, are held by the DG Trade, we are not in a position to fulfil your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 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:

Secretary-General
European Commission
Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents
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Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'S. Weyand', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Sabine WEYAND