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Dear Mr Henning,

## Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2023/0062

We refer to your e-mail sent and registered on 3 February 2023 in which you make a request for access to documents under the above mentioned reference number.

You requested access to "All minutes, agendas, summaries, notes or memos issued before or after; documents prepared for, issued in preparation for, or exchanged during; as well as all correspondence including attachments by either of the meeting parties related to the 19.12.2022 meeting between Euromines and Pierre-Arnaud Proux.."

The following documents fall within the scope of your application:

- 1. Ares(2023)360152 Meeting between EVP Vestager CAB and SveMin Boliden and Euromines 19 December 10-10.30am (002)\_Redacted
- 2. Ares(2022)8715307 RE\_ Meeting on CRM Act on Dec 19\_Redacted

With regard to the documents listed above, a complete disclosure of the identified 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/initials and contact details of other natural persons;

Article 9(1)(b) of the Data Protection Regulation (Regulation 2018/1725) 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 document, as the need to obtain access thereto for a purpose in the public interest has not 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.

Please further note that document 1 was drawn up for internal use under the responsibility of the relevant official of the European Commission. They solely reflect the author's interpretation of the interventions made and does not set out any official position of the third parties to which the document refers. They do 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 Secretary-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 or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Please kindly send an acknowledgement of the receipt of this reply.

Yours sincerely,

Elisa Roller Director (e-signed)

2 documents Annex: