

EUROPEAN COMMISSION DIRECTORATE-GENERAL MIGRATION AND HOME AFFAIRS

The Director General

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By registered letter with acknowledgment of receipt

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Subject: Your application for access to documents –Forum with the Internet service providers community – Ref. Gestdem 2015/2271

Dear Madam.

We refer to your e-mail dated 20/04/2015 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on that same day under the above mentioned reference number.

You are requesting documents which contain the following information:

- 1) a list of participating businesses in this "Forum with the Internet service providers community"
- 2) information on the Unit responsible for the coordination of the Forum
- 3) objectives and tasks of the Forum
- 4) minutes of meetings of the Forum
- 5) a list of upcoming meetings of the Forum
- 6) a timeline of the work of the Forum.

We regret to inform you that no documents exist for the time being that would correspond to the description given in your application. 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. Given that no such documents have been identified, the Commission is not in a position to handle your request.

I can inform you that the work on the setting up of the Forum as described in the European Agenda on Security has only started. For the objectives and tasks of the Forum, we refer you to the description

given in the European Agenda on Security (cf. COM(2015) 185 final of 28 April 2015¹) as well as in the Commission's Communication "*Preventing Radicalisation to Terrorism and Violent Extremism: Strengthening the EU's Response*", and in particular section 2.6 thereof (cf. COM(2013) 941 final of 15 January 2015²).

As regards the reference to the information on the Unit responsible for the coordination of the forum, we understand this to mean that you would like to know which is the responsible unit within DG HOME. In this regard, we can inform you that unit HOME. D.1 on terrorism and crisis management is responsible for coordinating the work on the forum.

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 Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

European Commission Secretary-General Transparency unit SG-B-4 BERL 5/327 B-1049 Bruxelles

or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours faithfully,

Matthias RUETE

http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/e-library/documents/basic-

documents/docs/eu_agenda_on_security_en.pdf

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