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Mr Walter Stanish

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Subject: Confirmatory application for access to documents under Regulation 1049/2001 - Gestdem 2012/5241

Dear Mr Stanish,

I refer to your email of 28 February 2013, registered on 15 March 2013, in which you lodge a confirmatory application, pursuant to Regulation 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents¹, for a review of a reply from the Directorate-General for Home Affairs to your request for access to documents generally concerning the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication (SWIFT).

Your application is currently being handled. However, we are not currently in a position to provide you with a final reply to your request as the internal consultations between the services concerning your application are still on-going. Therefore, we are not in a position to reply to your confirmatory request within the prescribed time limit expiring 10 April 2013 and have to extend this period by further 15 working days in accordance with Article 8, § 2, of Regulation 1049/2001. This new deadline shall expire on 2 May 2013. I apologise for any inconvenience this delay may cause.

Yours sincerely,

Marc Maes
Deputy Head of Unit

¹ OJ L145, 31.05.2001, p.43.