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Mr Tony Lowes

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Dear Mr Lowes,

**Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2016/2297**

We refer to your e-mail dated 26/04/2016 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 29/04/2016 under the above mentioned reference number. An initial reply was sent to you on 03/05/2016 explaining that an extended time limit (until 20/06/2016) is needed as your application concerns an old infringement involving a search in our historical archives (which are located in a different building) and potentially concerns a large number of documents.

Having retrieved those documents from our archive it is now clear that the description given in your application does not enable us to identify concrete documents which would correspond to your request.

We therefore invite you, pursuant to Article 6(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents, to provide us with more detailed information on the documents which you seek to obtain, such as references, file numbers or the subject matter of the complaint you are interested in.

If you need assistance in clarifying or specifying your application, you can contact us:

- by email to: [anna.heslop@ec.europa.eu](mailto:anna.heslop@ec.europa.eu)
- by telephone to: (+32) (0) 22 994395

The 15 working days the time limit for handling your application will start running when we receive the requested clarifications.

Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Speight". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly informal style.

Paul Speight