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Dear Mr Pavlou,

Subject: Holding reply - Your applications for access to documents - Ref GestDem No 2016/4842 and 2016/4845

We refer to your e-mails dated 1 September 2016 in which you made two requests for access to documents, registered on the same day under the above mentioned reference numbers.

Your applications are currently being handled. However, we will not be in a position to complete the handling of your applications within the time limit of 15 working days, which expires on 22/09/2016.

An extended time limit is needed as your applications cover a significant number of documents, including some documents that emanate from third parties that, as a rule, we must consult before disclosure, in accordance with Article 4(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.

Therefore, we have to extend the time limit by 15 working days in accordance with Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001. The new time limit expires on 13/10/2016. We apologize for this delay and for any inconvenience this may cause.

Yours sincerely,

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