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**Subject:** Your application for access to documents - Ref GestDem No 2013/1953

Dear Sir/Madam,

We refer to your e-mail dated 11/04/2013 in which you make a request for access to documents registered under the above mentioned reference number.

One of the documents I would like to forward to you concerns correspondence between citizens and other and the responsible Vice-President, answering to the question what the Commissions' follow-up of the decision of the European Ombudsman (0814/2010/JF) would be.

Having examined this document under the provision of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents, I have come to the conclusion that it may be partially disclosed. Some parts of the document have been blanked out as their disclosure is prevented by exception to the right of access laid down in Article 4 of this Regulation. The disclosure of these parts would undermine the protection of privacy and integrity of the individual, in particular in accordance with EU legislation regarding the protection of personal data.

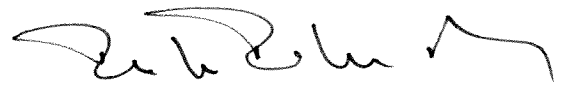
In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position. Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretary-General of the commission at the following address:

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The other documents (annexes I-VI) are publicly accessible documents, prepared by the Secretary General of the European Schools and presented to the Board of Governors, and give an overview of the developments that have recently taken place in the field of action:

- The European school in Culham participated in the OECD study "PISA".  
The report was presented to the Board of Governors in April 2013 (Annex I)
- In April 2012 the BoG decided to establish a working group, with the Commission as member, to propose a new structure in the secondary cycle, to improve flexibility and efficiency of the course organization as well as to make savings.  
The working group presented its results/proposals to the Board of Governors in April 2013 (Annex II). No decision was taken.
- Also the issue on repeat rates/ alternative certificate is followed closely (Annex III – document presented to the Board of Governors in April 2013)
- The IAS (Commission's internal audit service) presented its audit plan for the European schools for the period 2013/2015 (Annex IV)
- The Baccalaureate 2012 was already discussed in the meeting of the Board of Governors in December 2012. Discussions were based on the draft report on the European Baccalaureate 2012, submitted by the Secretariat General as well as the report of the chair of the 2012 European Baccalaureate (Annexes V+VI).

Yours sincerely,



1.. Irene SOUKA