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**Subject: Your confirmatory application for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 – GESTDEM 2017/4478**

Dear Ms Reda,

I refer to your letter of 14 September 2017, registered on 20 September 2017, through which you submit a confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents<sup>1</sup> ('Regulation 1049/2001').

In your initial application of 28 July 2017, addressed to the Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs ('DG GROW'), you requested access to documents which contain the information concerning notification (2017/127/D) of the German government to the Commission, of 27 March 2017, *regarding the Gesetz zur Verbesserung der Rechtsdurchsetzung in sozialen Netzwerken (NetzDG)*. You requested *all information, including internal and interservice communication of the European Commission regarding or in connection with this law*.

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<sup>1</sup> Official Journal L 145 of 31.5.2001, p. 43.

As you did not receive any initial reply from DG GROW within the statutory deadlines, you submitted a confirmatory application on 14 September 2017, against the tacit refusal of access to the documents requested.

On 14 September 2017 and 13 December 2017, respectively, DG GROW sent you initial replies to your application, providing (wide partial) access to most of the documents requested.

The reason for your confirmatory application was the absence of any initial reply. As DG GROW has in the meantime fully replied to your application, the Secretariat-General will close your confirmatory application<sup>2</sup>.

Yours sincerely,



Martin Kröger  
Head of Unit

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<sup>2</sup> Without prejudice to your right to submit a new confirmatory application if you do not agree with the position of DG GROW, as reflected in its replies of 14 September 2017 and 13 December 2017, respectively.