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Subject: Application for access to documents under Regulation 1049/2001

Ref.: GestDem 2018/234 and 2018/441

Dear Mr Teffer.

We refer to your e-mails dated 09/01/2018 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered, respectively, on 10/01/2018 and on 19/01/2018 under the above-mentioned reference numbers.

We regret to inform you that the Commission does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application.

As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution.

Given that no such documents, corresponding to the description given in your application, are held by the Commission, the Commission is not in a position to handle your request.

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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Yours faithfully,

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