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**Subject: Public access to OLAF documents 2012/2013**

Dear Sirs,

I am writing in relation to your e-mail of 11 July 2013, registered in OLAF as Ares(2013)2949105 on 30 August 2013, in which you submitted an application pursuant to Article 6(1) Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents<sup>1</sup>. I also note that in the meeting held in OLAF premises on 8 October 2013 it was mutually agreed, in absence of any existing relevant document, to treat your application as request for information and to limit the search for relevant data to applications for public access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 submitted in years 2012 and 2013.

We apologise for the delay in answering your request. The delay was due to the large number of documents which had to be assessed and by the limited resources of our Unit. You will find the results of our search in two tables attached to this letter.

The data covers all initial applications submitted to OLAF between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2013. It also includes a few applications concerning OLAF documents, which were submitted to other Commission services and on the disclosure of which OLAF was consulted. We have not included those requests which were treated, following information provided by the applicant, as requests of persons concerned for access to an investigation file under Article 41(2)(b) and Article 48(2) of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU. Nor have we included requests for information treated under Article 22 of the European Code of Good Administrative Behaviour.

The set of data is divided into two tables. The first table includes all applications where no confirmatory application was submitted. The second table refers to initial applications where the applicant decided to submit a confirmatory application to the Director-General of OLAF. Please note that in accordance with the internal rules of the Commission, OLAF is obliged to consult the Legal Service of the Commission on all replies to confirmatory applications.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43.



I hope the data will provide a more accurate picture of OLAF's transparency policy. Please do not hesitate to contact our Unit for clarifications regarding those data if necessary.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Wasmeier', written in a cursive style.

Martin WASMEIER

Attachment