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Mr Sifis RAPTIS

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Subject: Your confirmatory application for access to documents under Regulation 1049/2001 – Reference Gestdem 2013/3654

Dear Mr Raptis,

I refer to your e-mail of 26 November 2013, registered on 28 November 2013, in which you request a review of the position taken by the Commission's Directorate-General for Research (DG RTD) with regard to your application for access to documents concerning external financial audits.

Your confirmatory application is currently being handled. Unfortunately, we have not yet been able to gather all the elements we need to carry out a full analysis of your request in order to take a final decision and, therefore, we are not in a position to reply to your confirmatory request within the prescribed time limit expiring 19 December 2013.

Consequently, we have to extend this period by another 15 working days in accordance with Article 8(2) of Regulation 1049/2001. The new deadline expires on 21 January 2014.

Yours sincerely,

Gérard Legris Head of Unit

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