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**Subject: Access to Documents- Ref 10/2019**

Dear Ms.Darbishire,

We refer to your application of 03-07-2019 pursuant to Regulation No.1049/2019 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents.

You have requested the following:

*"access to the travel expenses of the OHIM's Executive Director, for the period 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2018 inclusive", The documents requested should contain the following information:*

*Place of origin and destination, and the amount spent on travel or transportation; - Exact dates and duration of the trip; - Amount spent on accommodation; - Amount spent on subsistence; - Other information, such as possible miscellaneous costs.*

**The response by the EUIPO is as follows:**

The EUIPO is pleased to be able to comply with your request with the exception of release of some personal data.

Disclosure of personal documents or individual information is rejected as this is protected under Article 4(2), first indent of Regulation 1049/2001 where it stipulates protection which undermines the protection of [...] privacy and the integrity of the individual, in particular in accordance with Community legislation regarding the protection of personal data.

The applicable legislation in this field is Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (Regulation 2018/1725).

As stated previously in the personal data referenced , there are reasons to assume that the legitimate interests of the data subjects concerned would be prejudiced by disclosure of the personal data reflected in the documents, as there is a real and non-hypothetical risk that such public disclosure would harm their privacy and subject them to unsolicited external contacts. (AskEU is a third party website).

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the EUIPO to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Executive Director at the following e-mail:

[Executivesecretariat@euipo.europa.eu](mailto:Executivesecretariat@euipo.europa.eu)

Yours sincerely,

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