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*(by e-mail and registered mail)*

Dear Mrs Cann,

**Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2020/4055**

We refer to your e-mails dated 3 July 2020, in which you make a request for access to documents, registered under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to: “... *a list of all lobby meetings (including phone calls, conference calls etc) held since 1 January 2019 where the EU's proposal for public Country by Country Reporting was discussed. The list should include the names of the individuals and organisations participating; the date; the agenda; and any minutes / notes produced. I would additionally like to receive any emails or other correspondence related to the EU's proposal for public Country by Country Reporting received or sent since 1 January 2019*”.

We regret to inform you that DG Taxation and Customs Union does not hold documents that would correspond to the description given in your application. There were no lobbyist meetings with DG TAXUD, since the proposal you are referring to does not fall within the remit of DG TAXUD. As such, we are not in a position to handle your request.

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. There is no obligation under the said Regulation to create new documents if they do not exist.

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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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Secretariat-General  
Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)  
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Yours faithfully,

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