Directorate A - Strategy, Better Regulation & Corporate Governance SG.A.2 - Evaluation & Impact Assessment, Regulatory Scrutiny Board Secretariat

> Brussels SG.A.2/FL

Subject: Your request under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001¹ regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents—Ref GestDem 2021/4082

Dear Mr Diogo Augusto,

We refer to your message dated 21/06/2021 in which you make a request for access to documents concerning a letter of 02/03/2020 with reference Ares(2020)1307870 concerning a meeting between Vice-President Šefčovič and the social partners, including Business Europe.

We have already transmitted a copy of this letter to you on 06/05/2021 in reply to your request with the reference GESTDEM 2021/2236. We resend you the same document.

Note that we have redacted the handwritten signatures in this document. A complete disclosure of the document is prevented by the exception concerning the protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual outlined in Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.

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Consequently, I conclude that, pursuant to Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access cannot be granted to the personal data contained in the requested document, as the need to obtain access thereto for a purpose in the public interest has not been substantiated and there is no reason to think that the legitimate interests of the individuals concerned would not be prejudiced by disclosure of the personal data concerned.

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¹ OJ L145, 31.05.2001, page 43.

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:

European Commission Secretary-General Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1) BERL 7/076 B-1049 Brussels

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Yours sincerely

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