

## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

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Directorate C: Migration, Protection and Visa Unit C.5: Visa Policy

> Brussels, HOME/C5

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**Subject:** Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2021/

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Dear Madam.

I refer to your e-mail dated 24/07/2021 in which you make a request for access to documents and to our letter dated 30/07/2021 (Ares(2021)4871662) informing about an extension of the time limit for reply to 07/09/2021.

It has appeared that the treatment of your request will require additional time and resources on the part of the Commission, including extensive consultations with external actors which are directly concerned by your request. We will therefore not be able to send you our reply by 07/09/2021. We are working with the highest diligence with the aim to be able to get back to you immediately after we have finalised the full assessment on your request.

We apologise for this delay and for any inconvenience this may cause.

Yours faithfully,

Dimitri Giotakos Head of Unit [e-signed]