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Dear Alexander Fanta,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2021/ 5300

We refer to your request of 1 September 2021 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 1 September 2021 under the above mentioned reference number.

You request access to the following document:

- Internal documents discussing a possible 'right to repair' of electronic devices dating from since January 1st, 2021;
- Documents from stakeholders concerning a possible "right to repair" since the beginning of 2021, including minutes of meetings, e-mails and other documents.

The documents that you have requested are now available at the website “Have your say: Simplify!”. Please consult this portal where citizens and businesses share their views on new EU policies and existing laws.

Documents available at: [Sustainable products initiative \(europa.eu\)](https://european-council.europa.eu/media/en/press-portal/default.aspx?id=123456)

In addition to the documents communicated, we are reviewing the position papers communicated by stakeholders responding to the Open Public Consultations to check if they include comments on the Right to Repair. Where this is the case, and if the stakeholders concerned agree to share their position papers, these will be communicated in a second step, within one month after this first reply.

In September this year, the Commission announced a forthcoming legislative initiative on a Right to Repair, to be adopted in 2022. This initiative will promote a more sustainable use of goods throughout their useful life. It will encourage consumers to

make more sustainable choices by providing incentives and tools to use goods for a longer time, including by repairing defective goods.

Please note that the core initiative on a Right to Repair is with DG JUST.

While the precise details of these initiatives are yet to be finalised, I can assure you that their aim is to considerably improve repair opportunities, while also benefiting the environment and circular economy.

Yours faithfully,

Emmanuelle Maire
Head of Unit