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REGISTERED LETTER WITH ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2015/1272

Dear Ms Birch,

I refer to your e-mail dated 02/03/2015 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 02/03/2015 under the above-mentioned reference number. I also refer to my letter of 09/03/2015 on the extension of the deadline due to the large number of documents to be assessed.

First, I would like to inform you that concerning the list of meetings that Commissioner Oettinger and his Cabinet members had with stakeholders, the list is available on the European Commission's website on the following links:

<http://ec.europa.eu/transparencyinitiative/meetings/meeting.do?host=f24e4f06-d181-4f58-9604-3aaf3ce391ea>

<http://ec.europa.eu/transparencyinitiative/meetings/meeting.do?host=595cf53f-c018-4fc8-afa0-9d66c289795c>

Concerning the other parts of your application, we have started to collect the documents you have requested. The handling of your request involves the assessment of a very voluminous set of documents to be analysed in accordance with the provisions of Article 4 of Regulation 1049/2001. It is therefore proving very burdensome and hard to manage for our services to carry out this task without a reasonable narrowing of the scope of your request.

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The Regulation 1049/2001 provides for a possibility to confer with applicants in order to find a fair solution when an application concerns a very large number of documents. Article 6(3) provides that "*in the event of an application relating to a very long document or to very large number of documents, the institution concerned may confer with the applicant informally, with a view to finding a fair solution*".

Based on this we would kindly ask you to consider narrowing the scope of your request, so as to reduce it to a more manageable amount of documents. In particular, we would like to ask for

- the specification of the concrete, limited number of stakeholders in which you are interested (instead of using the term 'stakeholders') e.g. names of organizations, and
- to specify more concretely those limited number of topics in which you are interested in (instead of referring to all the topics that are in the Commissioner's current portfolio) e.g. copyright.

If you have any questions concerning this proposal, you can contact us:

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Thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely,

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