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**Subject: Your application for access to documents EASE 2024/1181**

Dear Mr Daalder,

We refer to your request for access to European Commission documents registered on 28 February 2024 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to:

*“All documents from 2023 – including but not limited to (draft versions of) minutes, (hand-written) notes, audio recordings, verbatim reports, operational conclusions, briefings, e-mails, attachments, letters, text messages, phone call notes, (powerpoint) presentations – related to communication with LTO Nederland, LTO Noord, ZLTO and its employees or consultants working for these organisations about greenhouse gas reduction goals for the agricultural sector, in light of Europe's 2040 climate target and path to climate neutrality by 2050.”*

Your application concerns the following documents:

Title	Registration	Reference
1. Invitation_EVP Timmermans to Dutch Organization for Greenhouse Horticulture_27.03.2023_Redacted	01/02/2023	Ares(2023)731833
2. Meeting request_EVP Timmermans by LTO_September 2023_Redacted	20/02/2023	Ares(2023)1215993
3. Reply_EVP Timmermans to Dutch Organization for Greenhouse Horticulture_27.03.2023_Redacted	24/02/2023	Ares(2023)1376242

4. Minutes_Meeting Timmermans' Cab and LTO_25.01.2023_Redacted	31/07/2023	Ares(2023)5286202
5. Meeting COPA-COGECA_Praesidium Glastuinbouw Nederland_Redacted	20/02/2024	Ares(2024)1295705

With regard to all documents listed above, a complete disclosure of the identified documents 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, because they contain names/initials and contact information of Commission staff members not pertaining to the senior management, and names/initials and contact details of other natural persons.

Article 9(1)(b) of the Data Protection Regulation does not allow the transmission of these personal data, except if you prove that it is necessary to have the data transmitted to you for a specific purpose in the public interest and where there is no reason to assume that the legitimate interests of the data subject might be prejudiced. In your request, you do not express any particular interest to have access to these personal data nor do you put forward any arguments to establish the necessity to have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest.

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 documents, 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.

Please note that the documents originating from third parties are disclosed to you based on Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001. However, this disclosure is without prejudice to the rules on intellectual property, which may limit your right to reproduce or exploit the released documents without the agreement of the originator, who may hold an intellectual property right on them. The European Commission does not assume any responsibility from their reuse.

In case you would disagree with this position, you are entitled, in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, to submit a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed to the Secretariat-General of the Commission within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter. You can submit it:

**by mail** to:

European Commission  
 Secretariat-General  
 Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)  
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or **by email** to: [sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu](mailto:sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu)

Yours sincerely,

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