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Mr Felix Reda
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Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2022/4500

Dear Mr Reda,

We refer to your email of 8 August 2022 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on the same day under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to *“all information held by the cabinet of Commissioner Johansson and/or DG HOME concerning the existence of technologies for the detection of new child sexual abuse material that has a demonstrated accuracy rate above 90% and/or whose precision rate can be set at 99.9%. This includes information related to the preparation of the blog post in questions, including early drafts and discussions thereof”*.

All the information and the statistics of the accuracy rate of the technologies included in the blog post in question, is included in the impact assessment¹ where sources are quoted accordingly:

- p. 282 of the Impact Assessment
- Annex 8, section 2 of the Impact Assessment.

The information in question can also be found in public sources:

- Thorn’s Safer Tool: [How Safer’s detection technology stops the spread of CSAM | Thorn](#)
- Other tools that use classifiers and AI technology to successfully detect new CSAM: [New Technology to Fight Child Exploitation | Meta \(fb.com\)](#) and [Facebook touts use of artificial intelligence to fight child exploitation \(nbcnews.com\)](#)

Further to this information, we regret to inform you that the Commission does not hold any other document that would correspond to the description given in your application. As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution. 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 Secretariat-General of the Commission at the following address:

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¹ Commission Staff Working Document Impact Assessment Report accompanying the document Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules to prevent and combat child sexual abuse, SWD/2022/209 final, 11 May 2022, <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex%3A52022SC0209>

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Yours sincerely,

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