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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2019/4261

Dear Sir,

We refer to your email dated 19 July 2019 in which you request access to documents, registered on 22 July 2019 under the above-mentioned reference number.

Your request concerns possible interactions between the Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (DG DEVCO) and Amazon or its intermediaries between November 2014 and 19 July 2019 (the date of your request). Your request concerns access to a list of lobby meetings held between DG DEVCO (including the Commissioner and Cabinet) and Amazon or its intermediaries, minutes and other reports of these meetings, all documents prepared for the meetings and all correspondence including attachments.

We wish to inform you that DG DEVCO does not possess any documents 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.

As no documents corresponding to the description given in your application are held by its services, DG DEVCO is unable to fulfil your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a supplementary 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 at the following address:

European Commission Secretariat-General Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1) BERL 7/076 B-1049 Brussels

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Yours faithfully,

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