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DIRECTORATE-GENERAL DEFENCE INDUSTRY AND SPACE

The Director-General

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Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2021/4666

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We refer to your application for access to documents in object submitted within the framework of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.¹

1. SCOPE OF YOUR APPLICATION

In your application GESTDEM 2021/4666, registered 22/07/2021, you requested access to:

- **security evaluations for access restrictions/publishing of EFAS Notifications (that led to these notifications being a secret/restricted from the public)**
The background is that all EFAS (European Flood Awareness System) warnings are restricted[1] to authorized partners only and the public is not able to access them and some „information is not made available to the public for security reasons”.

[1] [https://urldefense.com/v3/https://www.efas.eu/en/efas-conditions-access_!!DOxrgLBm!Xr8TVTeranZshmaqMNM_PAB7NgdPGQ51RJbhwV18g-QZFDfIbP-SzeIakxDP94AD45kpw\\$](https://urldefense.com/v3/https://www.efas.eu/en/efas-conditions-access_!!DOxrgLBm!Xr8TVTeranZshmaqMNM_PAB7NgdPGQ51RJbhwV18g-QZFDfIbP-SzeIakxDP94AD45kpw$).

We regret to inform you that the Commission does not hold 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.

¹ Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43).

Given that no such documents, corresponding to the description given in your application, are held by the Commission, the Commission is not in a position to fulfil your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 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:

European Commission

Secretariat-General

Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)
BERL 7/076

B-1049 Brussels

or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours faithfully,

Electronically signed

