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DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR MIGRATION AND HOME AFFAIRS

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**By registered letter with
Acknowledgment of Receipt**

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Subject: Your application for access to documents – ref. GestDem n°2019/4209

Dear Mr FANTA,

We refer to your e-mail dated 17/07/2019 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 19/07/2019 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You have requested:

- *List of lobby meetings your Directorate-General held with **Apple** or its intermediaries from November 2014 up to the present. The list should include: date, individuals attending and organisational affiliation, the issues discussed,*
- *Minutes and other reports of these meetings*
- *All correspondence including attachments (i.e. any emails, correspondence or telephone call notes) between your DG (including the Commissioner and the Cabinet) and **Apple** or any intermediaries representing its interests in that time*
- *All documents prepared for the meetings and exchanged in the course of the meetings between both parties in the given timeframe.*

We regret to inform you that the Commission do not hold any document that would correspond to the description given in your application.

After full consultation of the services of our Director-General and of Commissioners Avramopoulos and King, it appears that no meeting was organized with Apple, and no correspondence was exchanged with them from November 2014 until today.

As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) n°1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution.

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

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) n°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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Secretariat-General

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Yours sincerely,

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[e-signed by delegation by
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