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Brussels
SG.G.1/JVE/LM

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53119 Bonn
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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2021/4867

Dear Sir,

We refer to your request for access to documents concerning :

‘All submissions, opinions and communication content received from any religious community related to telecommunications and digital (e.g. digital Single market, artificial intelligence, data economy, digital services, Gaia-X), in particular the ePrivacy Regulation and the Copyright Directive (Directive (EU) 2019/790) by the European Commission. I would also be grateful if you could provide me with a list of meetings and the related documents (invitations, agendas, minutes, etc.) between representatives of any religious community and of the Commission where such topics were raised.’

Please note that due to the wide scope of your request, covering also areas falling under the responsibility of other Directorates-General, parts of your request have been attributed to other Directorates-General¹. This reply relates only to the documents held by the Secretariat-General.

We have identified one document falling under the scope of your application, i.e. a briefing which was prepared for a meeting between the President of the Commission and the Secretary of State of the Vatican.

Having examined the document requested under the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents, it appears that this briefings concerns a wide variety of issues related to international politics, and only small part of it deals with the subject matter covered by your request.

You will find hereafter the document with the relevant sections.

¹ DG CNECT(2021/3658); DG JUST (2021/4276).

There are no other sections in the briefing that are relevant to the issues raised in 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 Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

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

Electronically signed

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