

EMA/661425/2022 Stakeholders and Communication

## Dear

## Subject: Cost for EMA executive driver service incurred in 2020, ASK-79500 - Release letter to the requester

Thank you for your request for access to documents received on 3 March 2021 and your clarification email dated 4 March 2021, for which the procedure was initiated on 18 August 2022, in which you apply for copies of the following data, in particular:

(translated from original request in German):

Simple written information about the total costs for company cars of the European Medicines Agency (EMA) incurred in 2020.

I ask for representation:

- The total cost per month.
- The total cost per year.
- Make and model of the respective company car.

Your request has been handled in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (the Regulation)<sup>1</sup> and Section 3 of the Annex to the "European Medicines Agency policy on access to documents - *POLICY/0043*"<sup>2</sup> (the Agency Policy). Moreover, it has been assessed pursuant to Article 4 of the Regulation and Section 4.1.1 of the Agency policy and Section 1 of the Annex to the same policy.

Having assessed your application, the Agency considers that access to the requested data should be granted. However, please note the following important considerations:

- The European Medicines Agency (EMA) does not purchase or lease any company cars, therefore the Agency is not in position to provide you with any requested data on this matter such as its costs and the make and model.
- The Agency specifically the Executive Director's Office has an executive driver service in place, which corresponds to local taxi services.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, P. 43-48

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> EMA/729522/2016 "European Medicines Agency policy on access to documents - POLICY/0043" of 4 October 2018, available at https://www.ema.europa.eu/documents/other/policy/0043-european-medicines-agency-policy-access-documents\_en.pdf.

- On 4 March 2021, you agreed to receive the requested data for this executive driver service (i.e total cost per month and year 2020)
- Due to the nature of this executive driver service operating with multiple car models, the Agency is not in position to provide you with any information on the make and model used for this executive driver service.

Based on all the above, the following data extracted from our internal financial system have accordingly been identified:

Month in 2020	Cost of EMA executive driver service incurred (in euros):
January	€ 470.50
February	€ 331.30
March	€ 1,341.10
April	€0
Мау	€0
June	€ 525.50
July	€ 201.70
August	€0
September	€ 552.70
October	€ 174.40
November	€ 306.90
December	€ 595.80
Total	€ 4500 (rounded)

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