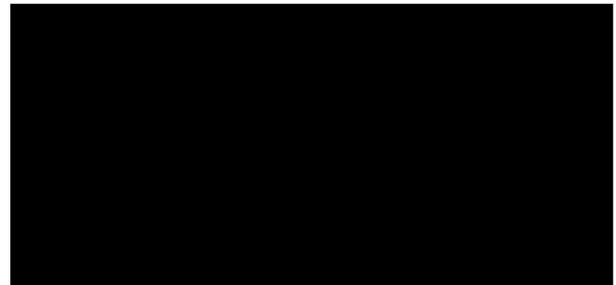




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**Subject: Consultation pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents – EASE 2023/1891**

Dear Mr De Masi,

We refer to your email of 21 April 2023 clarifying your request for access to documents, registered under the reference number EASE 2023/1891.

You requested access to documents to *all available information such as calendar entries, written communications such as emails, SMS, etc. between the former EU Commissioner Günther Oettinger and Peter Harry or the law firm Hambach & Hambach.*

We hereby inform you that the Commission does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application for the period January 2017 to November 2019, when he was Commissioner for budget and human resources.

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.

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 of 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 unit (SG.C.1)  
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This letter is sent to your attention by email. We invite you to confirm the good acknowledgment of receipt of this email within 5 days of its receipt.

Yours sincerely,

Elisa Roller  
Director