

Dear mr. Rochel,

As just explained over the phone, one of our collaborators has made some additional efforts this morning by looking into the archives of your own DG ELARG. In this way, we were able to retrieve the document. As you will see, it consists of a cover letter signed by mr. Verheugen and the 4<sup>th</sup> report. The only thing you need to take into account is that the provenance of this document is your DG and not the Cabinet (presumably, your DG received a copy of the letter/report when it was send out by the Cabinet in 2004).

Kind regards,

**Lieven BAERT**  
Archivist

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**From:** EC ARES NOREPLY [mailto:DIGIT-NOREPLYARES@ec.europa.eu]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 07, 2013 4:23 PM  
**To:** ALVES RAMOS Edite (CAB-FULE)  
**Cc:** MORDUE Simon (CAB-FULE); VEZYROGLOU Anna (ELARG); ROCHEL Walter (ELARG); SIMON Paul (SG); MEREDITH Lawrence (ELARG)  
**Subject:** Ares(2013)3198193 - RE: Urgent: Follow-up Gestdem 2013/4455 - Dohle request - Verheugen document

Sent by BAERT Lieven (OIB) <[Lieven.BAERT@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Lieven.BAERT@ec.europa.eu)>. All responses have to be sent to this email address.

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Dear,

In the meantime, we have, during two days (last Friday and today), carried out searches in the paper archives of Commissioner Verheugen.

Although we could find a proper registration in ADONIS (D(2004)43 only a registration, no electronic documents where attached), we could not retrieve the original document from the paper archives.

Unfortunately, we have not received any "chronos" of this Cabinet, only case files. We went through tens of files in order to find the document (also the ones we used for the previous document), but nevertheless this effort, the document could not be found.

For you information, we have included the ADONIS "circulation sheet" regarding this document.

Regards,

**Lieven BAERT**

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-----Original Message-----

From: BAERT Lieven (OIB)

Sent: Thursday, October 03, 2013 4:53 PM

To: ALVES RAMOS Edite (CAB-FULE); OIB ARCHIS BASE

Cc: MORDUE Simon (CAB-FULE); SIMON Paul (SG); VEZYROGLOU Anna (ELARG);  
ROCHEL Walter (ELARG); MEREDITH Lawrence (ELARG)

Subject: RE: Urgent: Follow-up Gestdem 2013/4455

Dear,

We will verify the same paper file from where we retrieved the previous document to see if more recent documents are available.

We'll try to do that tomorrow. If we will find something, we will send it directly to you. If mr. Mordue would make any objection, we hope we will hear that from him.

regards,

Lieven Baert

-----Original Message-----

From: ALVES RAMOS Edite (CAB-FULE)

Sent: Thursday, October 03, 2013 4:07 PM

To: OIB ARCHIS BASE

Cc: MORDUE Simon (CAB-FULE); SIMON Paul (SG); VEZYROGLOU Anna (ELARG);  
ROCHEL Walter (ELARG); BAERT Lieven (OIB); MEREDITH Lawrence (ELARG)

Subject: FW: Urgent: Follow-up Gestdem 2013/4455

Importance: High

Dear Colleagues,

Please see the message below. As you can see the answer given was not the one expected by Mr. Dohle.

Could you please do, again, the necessary to answer to this gentleman?

Many thanks in advance

Edite ALVES RAMOS

Archives of Commissioner Füle

-----Original Message-----

From: ELARG-ACCDIOC

Sent: Thursday, October 03, 2013 3:57 PM

To: ALVES RAMOS Edite (CAB-FULE)

Cc: MEREDITH Lawrence (ELARG); SIMON Paul (SG); VEZYROGLOU Anna (ELARG);  
ROCHEL Walter (ELARG)

Subject: Urgent: Follow-up Gestdem 2013/4455

Importance: High

Dear Edite,

May be ask you to approach again OIB archives for a renewed search in this case?

Further to our message from yesterday, Mr. Dohle states that is looking for a different document, a transmission letter by Commissioner Verheugen to the Romanian Prime Minister dated June 2004 (see below). I also attach the original request of Mr. Dohle.

In case that no other document can be found, we would grateful if this could be confirmed as soon as possible so that we can send a final reply to Mr. Dohle and finally close this case.

Best regards,

Stephan

-----Original Message-----

From: ELARG-ACCDIOC

Sent: Thursday, October 03, 2013 3:48 PM

To: 'Arun Dohle'

Cc: ELARG-ACCDIOC

Subject: RE: Your request for access to documents Gestdem 2013/4455

Dear Mr. Dohle,

Thank you very much for your below reply. According to your message of 2 October (see attached), you were looking for "the latest report of the Independent Panel, before 10 June 2004".

We consider that the document which we sent to you yesterday corresponds to your request registered under GESTDEM reference 2013/4455.

In the document which we sent you yesterday, please note that only the transmission letter and not the report itself is dated. We take note that in your e-mail from yesterday you request a "transmission letter from June 2004".

We will launch another search in our archives and come back to you as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

The ELARG-ACCDIOC Team.

-----Original Message-----

From: Arun Dohle [<mailto:ask+request-762-6bf094ad@asktheeu.org>]

Sent: Wednesday, October 02, 2013 10:26 PM

To: ELARG-ACCDOC

Subject: Re: Your request for access to documents Gestdem 2013/4455

Dear Enlargement (ELARG),

Thank you for your reply by which you sent me the report of the Independent Panel of February 2004 along with the transmission letter of Commissioner Verheugen to Romanian Prime Minister Nastase.

However, this was not what I requested.

I requested access, as clarified by my mail of 10 September, to the report and transmission letter of the report of later date: transmission letter June 2004.

I expect to receive this document within maximum 3 days, as it concerns a simple request for 1 document and therefore does not fulfill the definition of any of the exceptions laid down in Regulation 1049/2001.

Yours faithfully,

Arun Dohle

-----Original Message-----

Dear Mr. Dohle,

Please find attached the requested document.

Yours sincerely,

The ELARG-ACCDOC Team.

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