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SAKKERS Ewoud <Ewoud.Sakkers@ec.europa.eu> To: Roelie Post <roelie.post@gmail.com> Fri, Feb 17, 2023 at 3:43 PM

Met dank Mevrouw Post,

Mijn intentie was de mail enkel verder te leiden binnen de Commissie. Ik vraag u dan ook om deze als niet verzonden te beschouwen, althans niet naar de adressaten als in de mail.

Mijn excuses daarvoor.

Nee, nee, mijn referentie had niet die strekking, maar naar wij begrijpen is het Huis voor de Klokkenluiders niet overgegaan tot erkenning van die status aan u.

Met vriendelijke groet,

Ewoud Sakkers

From: Roelie Post <roelie.post@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 3:35 PM
To: SAKKERS Ewoud (HR) <Ewoud.Sakkers@ec.europa.eu>
Subject: Re: FW: FW: Urgent - invitation of German Court

Dag,

Even voor de duidelijkheid en zekerheid, wordt er in de mail bedoeld dat Luminita/Christian mij als klokkenluider hebben verworpen, of het Huis voor de Klokkenluiders.

Groet,

Roelie

On Fri, Feb 17, 2023 at 3:24 PM SAKKERS Ewoud < Ewoud.Sakkers@ec.europa.eu> wrote:

Dear All,

Also for the info of Luminita and Christian, this anticipated request under art 24 SR.

As you know her request to the independent organ 'Home for the Whistleblower' (Huis voor de klokkenluiders) to be recognised as such in NL was rejected there.

Best,

Ewoud

From: Roelie Post <roelie.post@gmail.com> Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 3:17 PM To: BOBEI Carmen Maria (HR) < Carmen-Maria.BOBEI@ec.europa.eu> Cc: ALBATH Lars (HR) < Lars.ALBATH@ec.europa.eu>; SAKKERS Ewoud (HR) <Ewoud.Sakkers@ec.europa.eu>; HR MAIL F6 <HR-MAIL-F6@ec.europa.eu>; ROQUES Christian (HR) <Christian.Roques@ec.europa.eu>; Arun Dohle <arun.dohle@gmx.de>; DE SADELEER Katja (EEAS-SAN JOSE) <Katja.DE-SADELEER@eeas.europa.eu>; pieter.omtzigt@tweedekamer.nl; Leijten R.M. <R.Leijten@tweedekamer.nl>; Advies <advies@huisvoorklokkenluiders.nl> Subject: Re: FW: FW: Urgent - invitation of German Court Dear All, Please find attached the article 24 form - request for legal assistance. For reasons of protection and transparency, I copy this to Pieter Omtzigt and Renske Leyten, Members of the Dutch Parliament, the Dutch 'Huis voor de Klokkenluiders', Arun Dohle of Against Child Trafficking as well as colleague and witness Katja de Sadeleer, Have a good weekend, **Roelie Post** On Mon, Jan 23, 2023 at 6:26 PM BOBEI Carmen Maria < Carmen-Maria.BOBEI@ec.europa.eu> wrote: Dear Ms POST, I understand from your message that you would like to request assistance from the Commission under Article 24 of the Staff Regulations. In this regard, in order to be able to register your case, I would kindly invite you to fill in the attached forms. We will then proceed with the registration of your case and you will receive a formal acknowledgement receipt. Kind regards, Carmen BOBEI From: Roelie Post <roelie.post@gmail.com> Sent: Friday, January 20, 2023 4:45 PM To: SAKKERS Ewoud (HR) < Ewoud.Sakkers@ec.europa.eu> Cc: ROQUES Christian (HR) < Christian.Roques@ec.europa.eu>; MAKOWSKA Katarzyna (HR) <Katarzyna.MAKOWSKA@ec.europa.eu>; HR ETHICS <HR-ETHICS@ec.europa.eu>; SOLIS SANTOS Teresa (HR) < Teresa.SOLIS-SANTOS@ec. europa.eu> Subject: Re: FW: Urgent - invitation of German Court Dear All,

A week ago, on Thursday 12 January, I have indeed testified in German Court.

I felt extremely insecure having to testify now in this case. Especially considering the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Krichbaum.

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The issue at stake was my book Romania for Export Only and several internal COM documents about which I had to declare if they were authentic. Since these documents are mostly already made public on the website Ask the EU I could confirm indeed their authenticity. Among the documents was the note signed by Matthias Ruette. I was asked to explain his position in the COM at the time.

During four hours I had to summarise my book and my work for the European Commission. Therefore I have pointed out the high-level involvement in the legalised child trafficking and the way I had to be under the direct instruction of the German Commissioner Gunter Verheugen, as he explained to journalist Helene Van Beek in 2018 and which was broadcasted on Dutch radio. I also explained the way I was treated after Verheugen was no longer responsible for the accession process.

In short, I explained how I was pushed outside and seconded to an NGO especially created for that. That NGO, Against Child Trafficking, had as objective to work against this child trafficking system, based on my experience in the Romanian Children File. The question was asked who financed that NGO. I replied that apart from a few donors, I had to pay from my own salary the running costs - while those who did the work are either volunteers/interns or are largely paid only expenses and/or travel costs (Arun Dohle).

Also, the attached article from 2006 was disputed by the Krichbaums. I confirmed that what was written in there was true and that the quoted Secretary of State, Mrs. Bertzi, was well known to me and that she had had a hard time fighting off the adoption lobby - also represented strongly in the European Parliament at that time.

I also explained the intimidations and threats I am under since the end of 2004, which are undoubtedly connected to my work and the inaction of the COM and the Belgian authorities.

Furthermore, I have explained that in several EU Member States, such as The Netherlands, Belgium (Flanders), Denmark, Finland, France and Sweden investigations have been done have been announced. These investigations into the intercountry adoption system are largely based on complaints by adoptees. ACT has for many years raised awareness about the system and served as a knowledge center and advised and informed adoptees and media.

A group of Romanian adoptees has handed in a complaint with the French Justice.

At large the issue at stake at the Court - can one call the owner of an adoption agency a child trafficker - stems from the fact that the Hague Adoption Convention has created a legalised trade in children by private agencies while stating that intercountry adoption is a child protection measure. I explained that 20 years ago the international community had concluded it should not be and that there should be a firewall between private adoption agencies and local child protection. In 2004 the Independent Panel of EU Family Law Experts concluded that (intercountry) adoption should not be considered child protection and, if at all, the extreme exception. Conclusion taken over by the EU at that time.

I underlined that history has proven that what is legal, is not always right.

I explained the U-turn made by the EU since then. And the forces behind that. And how the adoption agency of Mrs. Harvalia (now Krichbaum) was part of the forces that put pressure on Commissioner Verheugen.

I also explained how my life was destroyed, including financial hardship. I informed the Court about the unanimous motion of the Dutch Parliament and that the Dutch Prime Minister advised me to turn to the House for Whistleblowers. And that this House has, after looking into my case for 8 months, sent a letter to President Von der Leyen with the request to review my case and provide proper whistleblower protection.

I mentioned the attacks on my life, like the stone through my window last year. And the most recent, on 25/12/2022, Christmas - was clearly targeted at my daughter. She went to the Police and explained the range of 'issues', but no PV was made and it was made clear to her that we are on our own, and the Belgian Police won't do anything.

Attached is a newspaper article about the case.

Considering the gravity of all this, I request urgent assistance under article 24. The

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defamation and harassment done by those involved in this trade in children need to stop. As well as the direct and indirect attacks on life and existence. Earlier requests were ignored or denied by saying this was not job-related. However, as you and the Legal Service concluded, all took place during active service.

Last remark, the financial distortion by the European Commission - as defined by MEP Ana Gomes - is creating enormous difficulties at a time when I have to organise my own security.

Sincerely,

Roelie Post

On Wed, Jan 11, 2023 at 9:08 AM SAKKERS Ewoud <<u>Ewoud.Sakkers@ec.europa.eu</u>> wrote:

Dear Ms Post,

Thank you very much for attending our phone call of yesterday.

On 5 January 2022 you requested advice as to how to proceed under Article 19 of the Staff Regulations concerning a summon received from the Karlsruhe Regional Court to testify as a witness in the legal proceeding with ref. 18 Ns 91 Js 4804/18 brought by Ms Oana Krichbaum and Mr Gunther Krichbaum, against Ms Dominica Gabriela Dascalu and others. This email is to inform you that based on your request, our subsequent e-mails and the information you provided today, it is our view that an authorisation under Article 19 of the Staff Regulations would not be required.

The information submitted including the documents that you received from the Karlsruhe Regional Court does not allow to establish that in the context of the abovementioned pending proceedings you are requested to provide information of which you have had knowledge by reason of your duties at the Commission. The pending legal proceeding relates to a case of defamation, more precisely, to a case in which Ms Dascalu and others accused Ms and Mr Krichbaum on social media platforms in relation to child trafficking. You are not a party to these proceedings.

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On this basis, you are not prevented by the Commission to attend the hearing scheduled for the 12th January, and to testify as a witness in this legal proceeding (ref. 18 Ns 91 Js 4804/18).

Please note that if during the hearing you are questioned to disclose information you had knowledge of by reason of your duties at the Commission, you are requested to contact my services to obtain an authorization of the Appointing Authority, in application of Article 19 of the Staff Regulations, before answering any request of the Court.

With best regards,

Ewoud Sakkers

De: Roelie Post <roelie.post@gmail.com> Date: 5 janvier 2023 à 15:53:08 UTC+1 À: "ROQUES Christian (HR)" <Christian.Roques@ec.europa.eu> Objet: Urgent - invitation of German Court

Dear Mr. Roques,

Best wishes for 2023.

Hereby I inform you that I am being requested by the German Court to appear as a witness in a case related to my work on the Romanian Children File..

Please advise me on how to proceed in line with article 19 of the Staff Regulations.

Sincerely,

Roelie Post