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Subject: Your access to documents request

Ref.: EASE 2024/6975

Dear Mr Dohle,

I refer to your request for access to European Commission documents registered under the above-mentioned reference number. You request access to:

“Under the right of access to documents in the EU treaties, as developed in Regulation 1049/2001, I am requesting documents which contain the following information: A document that contains de position of the NGO Care France related the the - in their own words - "Le Scandale de l'Interdiction de l'adoptions internationale des enfants roumains abandonnes”.

The following document falls within the scope of your application:

- Doc.1. Note : ‘Le scandale de l’interdiction de l’adoption internationale des enfants roumains abandonnés’, CABSPIDLA/2005/A/2169
- Doc.2. Lettre 23 Février 2006 ; réponse à CARE France sur la note ‘Le scandale de l’interdiction de l’adoption internationale des enfants roumains abandonnés’, ELARG/A3/101072
- Doc.3. Adonis, registration fiche, CABSPIDLA/2005/A/2169

Having examined the document requested under the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 ⁽¹⁾, regarding public access to documents, I have come to the conclusion that partial access can be granted to documents 1-3. Some parts of the documents have been blanked out as their disclosure is prevented by the exceptions to the right access laid down in Article 4(1)(b) (protection of the privacy and integrity of the individual) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.

In particular, the documents contain the following personal data:

- the names/initials of Commission staff members not pertaining to the senior management;
- the name/initials and contact details of other natural persons;
- handwritten signatures/abbreviated signatures of natural persons;
- other information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person (functions and personal opinions).

Article 9(1)(b) of the Data Protection Regulation ⁽²⁾ does not allow the transmission of these personal data, except if you prove that it is necessary to have the data transmitted to you for a specific purpose in the public interest and where there is no reason to assume that the legitimate interests of the data subject might be prejudiced.

In your application, you do not express any particular interest to have access to these personal data, nor do you put forward any arguments to establish the necessity to have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest.

I conclude that, pursuant to Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access cannot be granted to the personal data contained in the requested documents, as the need to obtain access thereto for a purpose in the public interest has not been substantiated and there is no reason to think that the legitimate interests of the individuals concerned would not be prejudiced by disclosure of the personal data concerned.

Means of redress

For the sake of good order, I further refer to Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001. Pursuant to this Article, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed to the Secretary-General of the Commission within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter. You can submit it in one of the following ways:

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents, Official Journal L 145 of 31 May 2001, p. 43.

⁽²⁾ Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC, OJ L 295 of 21 November 2018, p. 39.

by asking for a review via your ‘EASE’ portal ⁽³⁾ account (available only for initial requests submitted via the portal account)

or by mail:

European Commission
Secretariat-General
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Yours sincerely,

Electronically signed

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Enclosure: Documents 1-3.

⁽³⁾ <https://www.ec.europa.eu/transparency/documents-request>

