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Mr Martin Ottmann

Ref. 24/c/03/08 PRO

Dear Mr Ottmann,

Thank you for your e-mail of 4 December 2008, by which you make a confirmatory application for access to document 14483/06, pursuant to Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (Official Journal L 145 of 31.05.2001, p. 43).

Considering the timetable for meetings of the various Council bodies involved in the examination of your application, a decision by the Council cannot be taken before 20 January 2009.

The time limit for the Council to reply to your application has therefore to be extended in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Regulation.

Yours sincerely,

For the General Secretariat

Ramón Jiménez Fraile