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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Working Party on Information
Subject: Public access to documents
- Confirmatory application No 27/c/02/18

Delegations will find attached the:

- request for access to documents sent to the General Secretariat of the Council on 5 September 2018 and registered on the same day ([Annex 1](#));
- reply from the General Secretariat of the Council dated 17 October 2018 ([Annex 2](#));
- confirmatory application dated 17 October 2018 and registered on 18 October 2018 ([Annex 3](#)).

[E-mail message sent to access@consilium.europa.eu on 5 September 2018- 16:35]

From: **DELETED**

Sent: Wednesday, September 5, 2018 16:35

To: SECRETARIAT DGF Access <Access@consilium.europa.eu>

Subject: Access to documents request, 5 September 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

Pursuant to European Union regulation 1049/2001, I request the following documents:

All briefing notes supplied to Javier Solana, then the European Union's high representative for foreign and security policy, on the possibility of upgrading the EU's relations with Israel between 1 January 2007 and 31 December 2008.

By briefing notes, I mean documents prepared by the EU's own officials and advisers for Mr Solana and members of his then cabinet.

Yours sincerely,

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Council of the European Union

General Secretariat

Directorate-General Communication and Information - COMM

Directorate Information and Outreach

Information Services Unit / Transparency

Head of Unit

Brussels, 17 October 2018

Mr **DELETED**

Email: **DELETED**

Ref. 18/1726-vl/nb

Request made on: 05.09.2018

Deadline extension: 26.09.2018

Dear Mr **DELETED**,

Thank you for your request for access to documents of the Council of the European Union.¹

We regret to inform you that, as a result of its internal consultations, the General Secretariat did not identify any documents which correspond to your request.

Yours sincerely,

Paulo VIDAL

¹ The General Secretariat of the Council has examined your request on the basis of the applicable rules: Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43) and the specific provisions concerning public access to Council documents set out in Annex II to the Council's Rules of Procedure (Council Decision No 2009/937/EU, OJ L 325, 11.12.2009, p. 35).

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From: **DELETED**

Sent: Wednesday, October 17, 2018 20:47

To: SECRETARIAT DGF Access <Access@consilium.europa.eu>

Subject: Confirmatory application re. access to documents request Ref. 18/1726-vl/nb

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to make a confirmatory application concerning my access to documents request number 18/1726-vl/nb.

I do not regard the explanation given to me in a letter received today as credible.

The question of 'upgrading' the EU's relations with Israel was a matter of considerable discussion during the timeframe mentioned in my request. It is, therefore, inconceivable that Mr Solana was not briefed on the surrounding issues.

For that reason, I hereby urge you to re-examine my original request, to identify the documents of relevance to it and to provide me with them promptly.

Yours sincerely,

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