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Dear Mr Watson, dear Sochou

Thank you for your letters of 2 May 2012 addressed to Commissioner John Dalli and Commissioner Michel Barnier (Ref. No: GW/JS/O'Ha00I/I) requesting access, on behalf of Mr Denis O'Hare from the Cyprus Property Action Group, to any of the correspondence between the European Commission and the Cypriot authorities concerning the issue related to immovable property title deeds in Cyprus.

Under Regulation No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and European Commission documents, and to the extent this correspondence relates to a pre-infringement procedure, the documents that you request on behalf of Mr O'Hare are covered by one of the exceptions provided for by the above-mentioned Regulation, notably under its Article 4: they cannot therefore be made available to him.

However, if Mr O'Hare wants to make a specific access to documents request, he can write to the European Commission's at the address below:

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As regards your question concerning the review of the Unfair Commercial Practices Directive, please note that in Autumn 2012 the European Commission will publish a Communication and a Report on the application of the Directive, as required by its Article 18, outlining what are the main conclusions that can be drawn from the initial period of experience in enforcing the Directive and setting out what are the actions which need to be taken for the Directive to deliver its maximum benefits in terms of Single Market integration and consumer protection.

In the meantime, the European Commission services intend to continue their bilateral contacts with the relevant authorities in Cyprus in order to address any problematic issue linked to the non-delivery of title deeds in Cyprus.

Yours sincerely,

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