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Brussels, 30 January 2015 Case 2014-1117

Dear Mr Legai,

We have analysed your notification sent on 1st December 2014 for prior-checking under Articles 27(2)(a) et 27(2)(b) of Regulation 45/2001 (the Regulation) in the context of the selection of confidential counsellors and the informal procedure on the prevention of psychological and sexual harassment at the European Union Satellite Centre (**EU SatCen**).

Under Article 27(4) of the Regulation, the deadline of two months for the EDPS to issue his Opinion applies. The EDPS should therefore issue his Opinion no later than the 2nd February 2015.

On 18 February 2011, the EDPS issued Guidelines on the selection of confidential counsellors and the informal procedures for cases of harassment in EU institutions and bodies (the EDPS Guidelines). The EDPS is satisfied that the EU SatCen has found our Guidelines particularly useful in order to set up its own procedures reinforcing them with data protection rules.

The EU SatCen notification is supported with a draft copy of a manual of procedures related to the selection of confidential counsellors and the informal procedure as well as copies of privacy notices on both processing operations. Having analysed the notification and the above documents, the EDPS considers that the EU SatCen has adopted adequate data protection safeguards in conformity with the Regulation. We have therefore decided to close the case.

Should you have further doubts, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

(signed)

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Cc : Mr Jean-Baptiste TAUPIN, Data Protection Officer