

THE EUROPEAN OMBUDSMAN

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Strasbourg, 28 -03- 2007

Complaint Nr 0668/2007/MHZ

Dear Mr Bunyan,

On 28 February 2007, you complained against the European Commission.

I have identified the following allegation and claim in your complaint:

The complainant alleges that the Commission failed to publish the 2005 annual report in 2006 as required under Article 17.1 of Regulation (EC) 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents.

The complainant claims that the Commission should publish the above report.

The examination of your complaint is under way and I shall let you know its preliminary outcome as soon as possible.

In accordance with Articles 2.2 and 3.1 of the Statute of the European Ombudsman, I have informed the President of the Commission of your complaint and asked him to submit an opinion on it by 30 June 2007. When the opinion is received, I will forward it to you with an invitation to submit observations, if you so wish, within one month. Please note that there may be a short delay in forwarding the opinion to you if translation is necessary.

Once your observations have been received, or the deadline has passed, the file will be examined by the legal officer responsible for dealing with your case: Mrs Marta Hirsch-Ziembinska, tel.: +33388172746. You will be informed if further inquiries are necessary before the Ombudsman can make a decision on your complaint.

Every effort is made to deal with cases as quickly as possible. The Ombudsman's decision is normally made within one year of the complaint, unless there are exceptional circumstances or an exceptionally heavy workload which require a longer inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

P. Nikiforos DIAMANDOUROS