

European Ombudsman

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Complaint 2273/2019/MIG

Subject: Decision of the European Ombudsman in the above case on the European Border and Coast Guard Agency's (Frontex) public register of documents

Dear Mr Jones,

You submitted a complaint to the European Ombudsman against the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) concerning the above issue.

After a careful analysis of all the information submitted to me, I have decided to close my inquiry with the following conclusions:

The European Border and Coast Guard Agency has accepted the Ombudsman's proposal for a solution to update its public register of documents, and to publish the number of sensitive documents it holds that are not included in its register.

There was no maladministration by Frontex in how it handles requests for access from non-EU citizens not residing in the EU, in that it deals with such requests on a case-by-case basis.

Please find enclosed my decision on your complaint¹.

¹ Full information on the procedure and rights pertaining to complaints can be found at <u>https://www.ombudsman.europa.eu/en/document/70707</u>

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Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure: Decision on complaint 2273/2019/MIG