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Subject: Position of European Commission on Audit report OPTP/2014/SM/01 – Monitoring system 2014–2020 (MS2014+)

Dear Mr. Director,

The company TESCO SW won the public tender for the MS 2014+ application in 2013. We are very closely following every piece of information, which could affect the reputation of our product and above all the integrity of our employees.

The Czech Press Agency published the following information on June 2, 2015:

EC confirms errors in Czech tender for system to monitor EU funds

“Prague, June 2 (CTK) - The European Commission (EC) has confirmed the results of the Czech Finance Ministry's audit which revealed a number of serious errors in the Regional Development Ministry's tender for a system to monitor European funds, Deputy Finance Minister Lukas Wagenknecht told CTK today.

The Finance Ministry has been informed about EC's position by letter. The EC has not raised any objections to the audit results and does not require any additional audit to be performed, Wagenknecht said...”

The follow-up media statements, that the EC confirmed the findings of the Czech audit authorities in a letter to the Czech Ministry of Finance are publicly known. Therefore, in line with the Law on Free Access to Information we had approached the Ministry of Finance to request a facsimile of the letter. On June 17 we received a surprising answer that such a letter does not exist at all.

This is why I would like to ask you for clarification and explanation of EC's current position concerning the Audit report OPTP/2014/SM/01 – Monitoring system 2014 –2020 (MS2014+), which was prepared by the Czech Ministry of Finance Audit Authority (Auditní orgán Ministerstva financí).

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I would especially appreciate if it could specifically be clarified whether and with what results the EC till today reexamined the findings of the Czech audit authorities, whether the EC with respect to this matter issued any official statement and if the EC took into account any of the arguments provided by the Czech Ministry of Regional Development.

Looking forward to your answer.

Yours sincerely,

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