European Ombudsman



Directorate ARegistry

Mr Van Rossem

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Complaint 1266/2013/MF

Dear Mr Van Rossem,

I am writing in reply to your e-mail of 1 July 2013 in which you complained against two Members of the European Parliament, Mr Ransdorf and Mr Baldassare.

The Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and the Statute of the European Ombudsman set certain conditions concerning the opening of an inquiry by the Ombudsman.

One of these conditions is that the Ombudsman shall help to uncover maladministration in the activities of the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies. No action by any other authority or person may be the subject of a complaint to the Ombudsman.

After a careful examination of your complaint, it appears that this condition is not met, because your complaint is not related to an act of a Union institution, body, office or agency but of two MEPs. I regret to have to inform you, therefore, that the European Ombudsman is not entitled to deal with your complaint.

If you consider that your complaint does in fact concern an act of a Union institution, body, office or agency, you are of course welcome to send us relevant additional information or comments that may clarify the object of your complaint. On the Union's website, you will find detailed information on EU institutions, bodies, offices and agencies through the following page:

http://europa.eu/about-eu/institutions-bodies/index_en.htm

You are also free to make a reasoned request for review of my factual finding that your complaint does not concern an EU institution, body, office or agency. If you choose to do so, please indicate precisely which institution, body,

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office or agency you consider to be involved. Such a reasoned request for review will be examined by the Ombudsman.

Having concluded that your complaint is outside the European Ombudsman's mandate, I would like to inform you that you could contact the College of Quaestors of the European Parliament. Quaestors are responsible for administrative and financial matters that directly affect Members, for example making general services and equipment available. The relevant contact details are the following:

Quaestors of the European Parliament European Parliament Rue Wiertz 1047 BRUSSELS BELGIUM

For your information, please also find below the link to the Brochure entitled "Problems with the EU? Who can help you?"

http://www.ombudsman.europa.eu/atyourservice/whocanhelpyou.faces #/page/4

Yours sincerely,

Peter Bonnor

Head of the Registry