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Dear Ms Cann,

On 18 January 2016, you submitted, on behalf of Corporate Europe Observatory (CEO), a complaint against Hume Brophy (Registration n°: [3843982938-44](#)). Therein, you alleged a possible breach by Hume Brophy of points (f) and (d) of the Code of Conduct of the Interinstitutional Agreement on the Transparency Register (IIA).

The Joint Transparency Register Secretariat (JTRS) informed you on 2 February 2016 that your complaint was admissible and that Hume Brophy was invited to submit its position on the allegations.

On point (f) of the Code of Conduct, Hume Brophy has explained that they had advised their client to register and assumed that the latter had done so. Furthermore, Hume Brophy understood and accepted to verify whether their clients are registered and, where this is not the case, not arrange a meeting with a Commissioner, a Cabinet member or a Director-General. As for point (d) of the Code of Conduct, Hume Brophy accepted that they have an obligation to regularly update their client information.

Therefore, in view of these outcomes, the JTRS has decided to close this case with no further follow-up.

Yours faithfully,

Martin Kröger  
Coordinator of the  
Joint Transparency Register Secretariat (JTRS)