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Union law in relation to money laundering, tax avoidance and tax evasion **D 317571 11.10.2016**

Mr Michael Lennard

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Subject: PANA Public Hearing on The Panama Papers - "Anti-money laundering and tax evasion: who sets the rules and how?"

Dear Mr Lennard,

In my capacity as Chair of the Committee of Inquiry into Money Laundering, Tax Avoidance and Tax Evasion (PANA) of the European Parliament I have the pleasure to invite you to participate as a speaker in the hearing on " The Panama papers – Anti-money laundering and tax evasion: who sets the rules and how?" which will take place on Thursday 13 October 2016 from 09:00 - 12:30 in Parliament's premises in Brussels (room PHS 3C050).

The purpose of this hearing is to hold a public debate at EU level within the European Parliament on how rules against money laundering and tax evasion are set at supranational level, and how does the process of setting these standards work.

I would like to ask you to make an initial statement of a maximum of 7 minutes in which you could give your views on the topic discussed. After the opening statements by the panellists there will be a session of questions and answers with Members for around 1 hour. The Committee secretariat will send additional practical information about the organisational aspects separately.

For your information, please find attached the draft programme of this event. Should you need any additional information or should you have any queries on this hearing, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Marcus Scheuren (tel.: +32 2 28 44810, marcus.scheuren@ep.europa.eu) for content-related questions or Ms Pascale Canart (tel.: +32 2 28 40663, pascale.canart@ep.europa.eu) for logistical questions at the Secretariat of the Committee of Inquiry into Money Laundering, Tax Avoidance and Tax Evasion of the European Parliament.

I look forward to seeing you on 13 October 2016.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Werner Langen

Encl.: Draft programme



EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Committee of Inquiry into Money Laundering, Tax Avoidance and
Tax Evasion (PANA)

Public Hearing

Anti-money laundering and tax evasion: Who sets the rules and how?

13 October 2016 - 9:00 - 12:30 (3:30)

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Brussels

Draft PROGRAMME

09:00 - 09:10 Welcome by the PANA Chair

09:10 - 10:00 Presentations by speakers (*at 7 min each*)

- **Michael Lennard**, Chief, International Tax Cooperation Section U.N. Dept. of Economic and Social Affairs - United Nations (UN) (*via videoconference*)
 - **Caroline Malcolm**, Senior Counsellor and Advisor to the Director and Deputy Director at the OECD's Centre for Tax Policy and Administration (*via videoconference*)
 - **David Lewis**, Executive Secretary, Financial Action Task Force (FATF)
 - **Daniel Thelesklaf**, President of the Committee on the Evaluation of Anti-Money Laundering Measures and the Financing of Terrorism (MONEYVAL)
 - **Isabelle Vaillant**, Director for Regulations, European Banking Authority (EBA)
- In addition a representative of the European Commission will be invited to take the floor.*

10:00 - 12:25 Discussion with PANA Members

12:25 - 12:30 Conclusions by the PANA Chair