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Subject: PANA Public Hearing on "The role of lawyers, accountants and bankers in the Panama Papers"

Dear Mr Oudea,

Your secretary-general, Mr Gilles Briatta, informed us that you will not be available to participate in a public hearing of the European Parliament's Inquiry Committee into Money Laundering, Tax Avoidance and Tax Evasion (PANA) on 24 January 2017 in your capacity as chairman of the European Banking Federation. For that meeting we are now in contact with the EBF representatives in Brussels as Mr Briatta suggested.

The Members of our Committee have indicated that they would however be grateful if you, in your capacity as Chief Executive Officer of Société Générale, or a high ranking member of your staff would be ready to accept an invitation for a hearing on Monday 6 March, which will also be dedicated to the role of bankers, lawyers and accountants in the Panama Papers.

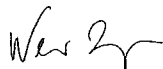
This hearing will take place from 09:00 - 12:30 in Parliament's premises in Brussels (JAN 2Q2). The purpose of this hearing is to get a better understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the intermediary professions (lawyers, accountants, bankers) that feature prominently in the Panama Papers revelations. In your case we would be particularly interested to discuss client due diligence, suspicious transaction reporting and if and how the Panama Papers affected the practices of your bank. If the date of 6 March is problematic for you, we are open to discuss other possibilities.

You would be asked to make an initial statement of maximum 7 minutes. After the opening statements by all panellists there will be a session of questions and answers with the Committee Members.

Should you need any additional information or should you have any queries on this hearing, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Ron Korver (tel.: +32 2 28 44659, ron.korver@ep.europa.eu) for content-related questions or the Secretariat of the PANA Committee (pana-secretariat@ep.europa.eu).

I hope you will be in a position to accept this invitation and I would look forward to seeing you on 6 March 2017.

Yours sincerely,



Dr. Werner Langen