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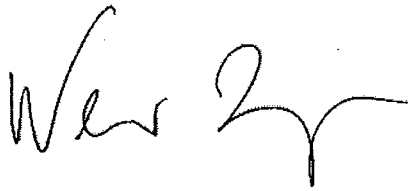
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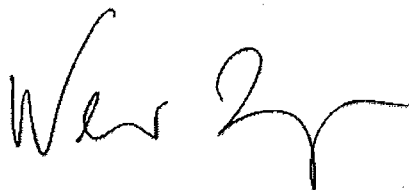
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The purpose of the panel is to learn about the tax planning strategies of multinational companies in particular with regard to transfer pricing, and the use of favourable tax jurisdictions.

The Members of the Committee would be very interested to hear your experience and findings in this context and the deficiencies in the existing legal framework observed in this area (including, if

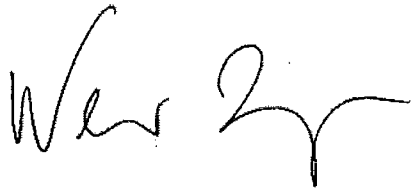
appropriate, evidence of no respect of EU law). Any recommendation based on your experience would be very welcome.

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