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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on tax transparency measures to fight tax evasion and avoidance

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European Parliament motion on tax transparency measures to fight tax evasion and avoidance

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on tax transparency to fight tax evasion and avoidance,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the LuxLeaks scandal is proof of the failure of the policy of the free movement of capital and profits;
- B. whereas tax evasion results in losses equivalent to 6.7% of France's GDP per year, and erodes national tax bases during a period of budgetary austerity;
- C. whereas the measures proposed by the Commission are inadequate, and do not go far enough as regards public reporting transparency;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to consider making company accounts publicly available country by country, in line with the conclusions of PwC's general assessment of potential economic consequences of country-by-country reporting under CRD IV;
- 2. Calls on the Commission to consider the possibility of a special tax on profits illegally diverted abroad;
- 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Council.

