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to the Commission
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Subject: Responsibility of the Commission President in tax evasion cases

According to findings recently published in several newspapers, the Luxembourg tax authorities entered into secret tax agreements with about 340 multinationals to enable them to evade their tax obligations. The investigation in question relates to the years 2002 to 2010, in other words a time when Jean-Claude Juncker, now the Commission President, was Prime Minister of Luxembourg.

These agreements may have deprived a number of Member States, and other countries, of billions of euros in tax revenue and hence, in some cases, adversely affected their financial situation, with all the painful social consequences which that has entailed.

1. What steps will the Commission propose with a view to determining how much tax revenue has been lost and which Member States have been harmed? What measures need to be taken urgently, in the Commission's opinion, in order to do away with tax havens within the EU and prevent transactions involving tax havens outside the EU?

2. Does not the Commission consider that steps should be taken to enable Member States to be compensated for their revenue losses?

3. Does it not consider that, in view of the facts set out above, Jean-Claude Juncker is politically unfit to remain in the office of Commission president and should stand down?