

**Question for written answer E-010758/2014
to the Commission**
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Subject: Google tax

The British chancellor of the exchequer, George Osborne, recently announced a new 25% tax on profits generated in the United Kingdom by multinational companies that then divert them to other countries to benefit from more favourable tax treatment.

Since the United Kingdom announced what is being called the 'Google tax', other Member States such as Spain have indicated that they are in favour of introducing this type of tax in order to ensure that companies pay tax where they generate their profits.

What view does the Commission take of individual Member States introducing or indicating that they are in favour of tax measures of this type?

What measures does the Commission plan to adopt to ensure that companies pay taxes where they generate their profits?