

**Question for written answer E-009577/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Amazon's about-turn - a first step that calls for more

Amazon's decision to change its tax practices in Europe by recording its sales in each Member State in which it has a subsidiary and paying corporation tax directly in the countries concerned is obviously of major symbolic significance. So, it's possible! Rulings facilitating tax evasion are not a vital condition for the survival of companies within the Union!

1. What is the Commission's reaction to this decision?
2. Will this decision encourage the Commission to promote taxation in the state in which activities are conducted, as recently announced by Commissioner Dombrovskis?
3. Is the Commission aware of any other multinationals that might be tempted to take the same step and finally accept taxation that is transparent and in compliance with the general interest and with social justice?