Question for written answer E-013926/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Louis Aliot (ENF)

Subject: Aggressive tax planning and developing countries

On 5 October 2015, the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) announced its action plan to combat aggressive tax planning and ensure that multinationals pay tax in the countries where they actually operate.

Tackling tax planning helps to reduce social inequality in developing countries, which are hit hardest by this phenomenon. Businesses use tax planning schemes to avoid paying tax on profits earned by exploiting natural resources in developing countries.

- 1. Given that tax revenues play an important role in financing development aid, how will the Commission react to these new measures and adapt its development policy accordingly?
- 2. Does the Commission intend to make development aid contingent on compliance with these new measures?

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