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Subject: Unfair taxation in Luxembourg - the 'LuxLeaks' affair

An investigation by the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists (ICIJ) has revealed that Luxembourg is a tax haven for more than 300 multinationals who use tax agreements to avoid having to pay tax in the countries in which they are based.

Companies like Pepsi, AIG and Deutsche Bank have saved colossal sums by having hundreds of billions of dollars channelled through the Grand Duchy, which was led by Mr Juncker between 1995 and 2013.

Mr Juncker, the Commission President, is now therefore directly implicated in the 'LuxLeaks' affair, and MEPs' calls for him to be heard are becoming increasingly urgent.

The Commission has launched an inquiry to ascertain whether Luxembourg's tax agreements contravened EU law. If they did, the situation would not look at all good for the current Commission President.

With this in mind, how will it be possible for the investigation led by Competition Commissioner Margrethe Vestager to be taken seriously when she answers directly to Mr Juncker, the Commission President?

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