

**Question for written answer P-004071/2016  
to the Council**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: EU-Liechtenstein Cooperation Agreement to combat fraud and any other illegal activity to the detriment of their financial interests and to ensure the exchange of information on tax

On 28 October 2015, the EU and the Principality of Liechtenstein signed an agreement on the automatic exchange of financial account information. This is an upgrade of the 2004 agreement that ensured that Liechtenstein applied measures equivalent to those laid down in an EU directive on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments.

As the above mentioned agreement is already in force, does the Council intend to proceed with the conclusion of the EU-Liechtenstein Cooperation Agreement to combat fraud and any other illegal activity to the detriment of their financial interests and to ensure exchange of information on tax matters, which was successfully negotiated several years ago? If the answer is positive, when will it resume these discussions?