

Special Committee on Financial Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance
The Chair

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Ms Věra Jourová
Commissioner
European Commission
Rue de la Loi 200
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Subject: *Invitation to an exchange of views with the Special Committee on Financial Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance (TAX3) on Monday, 25 June 2018, in the afternoon*

Dear Commissioner,

The Members of the Special Committee on Financial Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance (TAX3) would have much appreciated to engage with you on 16 April 2018 to mark the beginning of the works of the committee. Unfortunately, it was not possible for you to attend our meeting.

As agreed between my services and your Cabinet, I am pleased to confirm my invitation for an exchange of views on **Monday, 25 June 2018, from 17:00 to 18:30 in room JAN6Q2.**

The purpose of the exchange of views will be, inter alia, to discuss the follow-up given by the Commission to the PANA recommendations concerning the fight against money laundering, the roadmap and methodology towards the establishment of an EU list of high-risk third countries, and the future action of the Commission concerning Golden visas or citizenships programmes aiming at providing tax privileges to foreigners.

The Commission has recently presented two initiatives of interest for the works of the TAX3 Committee: a proposal for a new Directive on facilitating the use of financial and other information for the prevention, detection, investigation or prosecution of certain criminal offences¹, and an initiative on the protection of whistle-blowers². Without prejudice to the competences of the committees responsible for these proposals, the members of the TAX3 Committee would like to learn more about their content.

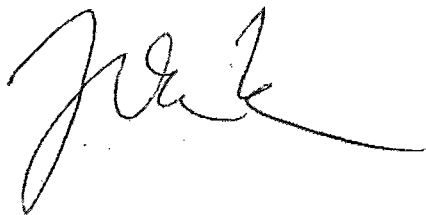
¹ Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules facilitating the use of financial and other information for the prevention, detection, investigation or prosecution of certain criminal offences and repealing Council Decision 2000/642/JHA (COM(2018) 213 final)

² Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of persons reporting on breaches of Union law (COM(2018) 218 final)

The TAX3 committee secretariat (Francisco Manuel RUIZ-RISUEÑO, Tel. +32 228 40561, francisco.ruizrisueno@ep.europa.eu) will liaise with your services for the practical arrangement of our invitation.

I remain at your disposal for further discussions on this matter. I thank you in advance for your availability and look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Ježek', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Petr JEŽEK