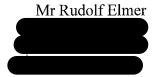


Special Committee on Financial Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance The Chair



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Subject:

Invitation to a public hearing with the Special Committee on Financial Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance (TAX3) on Monday 01 October 2018, afternoon, in Strasbourg

Dear Mr Elmer,

On 1 March 2018, the European Parliament decided to set up a Special Committee on Tax Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax avoidance (TAX3)¹. The committee was constituted on 22 March. It complements and builds on the work carried out by the TAXE 1 and TAXE 2 Special Committees and by the PANA Inquiry Committee. Its remit notably includes following up on the progress made by the Member States in ending harmful tax practices; to analyse and assess the third-country dimension in tax avoidance practices; to assess the methodology, country screening and impact of the EU lists of non-cooperative jurisdictions for tax.

In the context of the work of the TAX3 Committee, the coordinators of the political groups decided to hold a hearing on "Relations with Switzerland in Tax Matters and the Fight against Money Laundering" on 1 October 2018, from 20:30 to 21:45, in Strasbourg, the programme of which I enclose herewith.

The coordinators proposed that you should be invited for an exchange of views within the framework of this hearing to mainly discuss about the relations EU-Switzerland in Tax matters and the fight against Money Laundering.

I am pleased to be informed that you accepted the invitation, following contacts with the TAX3 Committee secretariat (Gabriel Alvarez Recarte, <u>Tel. +32 228 41667</u>, gabriel.alvarez@ep.europa.eu).

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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.

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Yours sincerely,

Petr Ježek

PUBLICHEARING

"RELATIONS WITH SWITZERLAND IN TAX MATTERS AND THE FIGHT AGAINST MONEY LAUNDERING"

MONDAY, 1ST OCTOBER 2018

20.30 - 21.45

Room: Louise Weiss (LOW) S1.5

STRASBOURG

DRAFT PROGRAMME

20.30 - 20.35 Welcome by the TAX3 Chair

20.35-21.40 Presentation by the experts and discussion with TAX3

Members

- > Mr Dieter Kischel, Head of Sector of Harmful Tax Practices General-Directorate Taxation and Customs Union European Commission
- > Mr Rudolf Elmer, Whistleblower, Switzerland
- > Mr Andreas Frank, Former banker and Anti-Money Laundering expert, Switzerland

Discussion with TAX3 Members

21.40 - 21.45 Conclusions by the TAX3 Chair