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Subject:

Public hearing organised by the TAX3 Committee on "Alleged financial crimes, tax evasion and tax avoidance in Slovakia" on Thursday, 24 January 2019, in Brussels

Dear Mr Bárdy,

I would like to thank you, on behalf of the Special Committee on Financial Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance (TAX3), for your participation in the public hearing on "Alleged financial crimes, tax evasion and tax avoidance in Slovakia".

Members highly appreciated your presentation and the quality of your answers to their questions in the debate that followed. Your contribution to the hearing was very valuable for the work of the committee.

The committee recently adopted its report in which it encourages the Slovak authorities to continue their investigation into the murders of Ján Kuciak and Martina Kušnírová and identify the real instigators behind the murder. The committee also calls on the Slovak authorities to fully investigate the cases of large-scale tax evasion, VAT fraud and money laundering brought to light by Jan Kuciak's investigations.

The report will be soon available online and it will be voted in the parliamentary plenary session of late March.

Yours sincerely,

Petr Ježek