

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

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Dr. Joseph Muscat Prime Minister Office of the Prime Minister Auberge de Castille Valletta VLT 1061 Malta

Subject: Invitation to an exchange of views with the European Parliament Special Committee on Financial Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance (TAX3) on Monday, 11 February 2019, from 19:00-20:30, in Strasbourg

Dear Prime Minister,

As you are aware, the European Parliament set up the TAX3 Committee on 1 March 2018 with the mission, inter alia, to build on and complement the work carried out by the TAXE 1 and TAXE 2 special committees and the PANA Inquiry committee on tax avoidance, tax evasion and money laundering<sup>1</sup>.

Within this framework, the TAX3 committee would like to invite you to exchange views with the committee on **Monday**, 11 February 2019 from 19:00-20:30 in Strasbourg. On December 2018 an exchange of letters between our Committee and the Maltese Ambassador, Mr Azzopardi, took place. The content of this meeting will be based on this exchange.

In the case you cannot attend the meeting the Committee would welcome the Minister of Justice, Mr Bonicci.

The session will start with a short introduction of around 15 minutes by you. These introductory remarks will be followed by an exchange of views with Members of the TAX3 Committee, during which you will be invited to respond to observations made and questions posed by them.

I would be grateful if you could confirm your attendance at your earliest convenience and **preferably no later than Tuesday 22 January 2019.** 

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> European Parliament decision of 1 March 2018 on setting up a special committee on financial crimes, tax evasion and tax avoidance (TAX3), and defining its responsibilities, numerical strength and term of office (2018/2574(RSO)).

For further information, your collaborators can contact Mr Gabriel Alvarez Recarte (tel.: +32 2 28 41667, <a href="mailto:gabriel.alvarez@europarl.europa.eu">gabriel.alvarez@europarl.europa.eu</a>) for content-related questions or the Secretariat of the TAX3 Committee (<a href="mailto:tax3-secretariat@europarl.europa.eu">tax3-secretariat@europarl.europa.eu</a>) for logistic questions.

I remain at your disposal for further discussions on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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