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Dear Chairman,

I am writing to thank you, on my behalf and on behalf of the Special Committee on Financial Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance (TAX3), for having taken the time to engage with our committee delegation in Copenhagen, last February 2019.

The delegation highly appreciated the discussion with you about the actions taken by your association to fight money laundering, tax evasion and tax avoidance, particularly in light of the money-laundering scandal involving Danske Bank and the CumEx scandal.

The European Parliament prioritises the fight against money laundering and terrorist financing and is making enormous efforts to promote measures to prevent these activities taking place in the European Union and worldwide. These criminal activities put at risk the security of our societies and the reputation of our financial system. It is therefore of the utmost importance that banks actively comply with the anti-money laundering legislation in force and take seriously their essential role as gatekeepers in the prevention of financial crime. It is also essential that the banking system comply with the highest ethical and legal standards.

Your contribution was very useful for the work of the committee.

The committee report as submitted to the parliamentary plenary can be found at the following link:
<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/committees/en/tax3/home.html>

Yours sincerely,

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