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**Jeannot Krecké**

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Dear Mr Krecké,

As a Member of the European Parliament's Special Committee on 'Tax Rulings and Other Measures Similar in Nature or Effect' (TAXE), I am writing you in relation to the report that you produced in 1997 on the subject of tax policy, tax avoidance and tax rulings at the request of then Prime Minister of Luxembourg Jean-Claude Juncker.

From your 2014 interview with Véronique Poujol from the newspaper Paperjam, as well as from recent comments made in the same newspaper, I understand that you withheld, on your own initiative, a page from above-mentioned report on Luxembourg's rulings practice from publication. I further understand that at least three copies of the complete report, including the unpublished page, have been produced at the time. One has been handed to Jean-Claude Juncker in his function as Prime Minister of Luxembourg, one to Lucien Lux, and one has been kept by you.

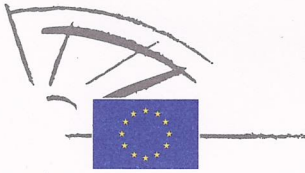
In his appearance before our Special Committee on September 17, 2015, Mr Juncker asserted to never have received the unpublished page and to not have known of its existence before the above-mentioned interview you held with Paperjam. In order to fulfil our mandate of Parliamentary inquiry on tax practices in all EU Member States, but also in light of the particular importance of this case, I would be very grateful if you were content to provide me with answers to the following questions.

- Can you confirm having handed a copy of the full report, including the unpublished page, to Mr Juncker in 1997? This seems to emanate also from your comments on the Luxembourg radio station 100, 7.
- Has there been any exchange with Mr Juncker at the time of the completion of your report about the unpublished page and its content?
- Can you confirm that it was your own decision, as author of the report, to withhold a particular page from the public? Could you again summarise for the work of the Special Committee the reasons for you to do so?

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- Did you see, at the time, any relevance of the content of the unpublished page for the assessment of the compatibility of Luxembourg's policies with EU law?
- Can you confirm having handed an additional copy of the full report to Mr Juncker following your remarks towards Paperjam in 2014 or 2015?
- Following Mr Juncker's comment in our Special Committee hearing, to address questions about the content of the unpublished page to you, would you be willing to share a copy of your version of the full report with the European Parliament's Special Committee in order to support its fact-finding mission with regard to the mandate conferred to it? This also in light of the fact that, according to Mr Juncker, the application of tax policies in Luxembourg in particular tax rulings were at all times perfectly legal. Hence, it should not be detrimental to Luxembourg to now publish the content of the page you excluded from publication in 1997.

I thank you in advance for your help and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Fabio De Masi