

**Question for written answer E-015502/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Clamping down on tax avoidance

The American multinational McDonald's allegedly avoided paying about EUR 1 billion in tax between 2009 and 2013 by channelling revenue towards its Luxembourg subsidiary. Tax avoidance has become a hot political topic in the EU because the public have been enraged by arrangements whereby individual multinationals have been allowed to pay 1% tax or a lower rate still. Even though the authorities have to uphold the rules of market-driven competition, there will be no competition if some firms can benefit from special tax treatment when the rest do not.

Bearing in mind that the EU is endeavouring to crack down harder on tax fraud, can the Commission say which particular companies have received tax bills because they were found to have avoided tax?