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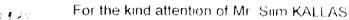
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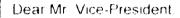
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Ref. Romanian authorities do not respect provisions of Art. 13 of the Directive 96/2003 and use an invented rate with 6.5% higher than the legal one.





I would like to inform you that since 2007 until 2013 Romania enforced the provisions of Art 13 of the Directive 96/2003, applying the exchange rate of the European Central Bank on the first day of October of the previous year.

For Member State, that have not adopted the curo, the value of the curo in national currencies to be appared to the value of the levels of taxation dial! be fixed once a year. The rates to be applied shall be those obtaining on the first working day of exchange and published in the Official Journal of the European Graph and shall have effect from Unionals of the following calcibility year."



In accordance with the provisions of the Art 13 of the Directive 96/2003 and with the procedure used by Romania in the last six years, the value of the euro in Romanian currency to be applied to the value of the levels of taxation for 2014 should be 1 Euro = 4 4485 Lei - the first working day rate in October 2013 of the European Central Bank published in the Official Journal of the European Union and applicable as of 1 January of the following calendar year!

The Romanian Government use for 2014 a rate of 1 Euro = 4.738 RON, with 6.5% higher than the legal one.



This was possible due to the fact in 2013. Romanian Government switched to a new and original method to set the value of the euro in Romanian currency to be applied to the value of the levels of taxation for 2014.

Romanian Government took the right to choose the higher rate between the rates of the last two years (in October 2012 ECB indicates 1 Euro = 4.5223 lei; in October 2013 ECB indicates 1 Euro = 4.4485 lei), and therefore they use the rate from 2012 updated with the average annual consumer price index (CPI) of September 2013, which is 104.77% announced by the National Statistics Institute until 2013 October 15 III



Question 1, is the value of the euro in Romanian currency applied to the value of the levels of taxation for 2014 (1Euro=4 7380Lei) legal as far as does not respect Art 13 of the Directive 96/2003?

Question 2 in case the applied rate is not legal, which is the procedure to be followed by the consumers (Romanian companies and persons, as well as foreign companies and persons EU residents or non-EU residents) to be reimbursed by the Romanian Government the 6.5% difference paid extra? Are penalties applicable for these amounts?

Your sincerely.



Secretary Géneral

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