Aggressive International Tax Planning & Bird & Bird

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THE TAX LANGUAGE

FAIR SHARE CORPORATE REPUTATION

GOOGLE STARBUCKS GAAR NAMING & SHAMING

&

GAAR TRANSFER PRICING

MULTINATIONALS TAX PLANNING

TAX HAVENS HYBRIDS MORAL/IMMORAL

TAX COMPLIANT HARMFUL TAX COMPETITION

LEGAL/ILLEGAL

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DOUBLE DIP SUBSTANCE

CORPORATE TAX GOUVERNANCE ANTI-AVOIDANCE

INTANGIBLES & ROYALTIES

E-COMMERCE & CONDUITS

DIGITAL ECONOMY BASE EROSION & PROFIT SHIFTING

G8/G20

MAIN PURPOSE TEST

TAX SCHEMES

BENEFICIAL OWNER

TRANSPARANCY TAX CONTROL

EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION FRAME WORK

Fair Play



TAX FRAUD TAX EVASION TAX AVOIDANCE TAX EFFICIENT TAX COMPLIANT

The Players

Tekst



CECD

Public Debate



Tax Justice Network/ Offshore leaks

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THE REFEREES





EU Commission / Tekst

Big Economies



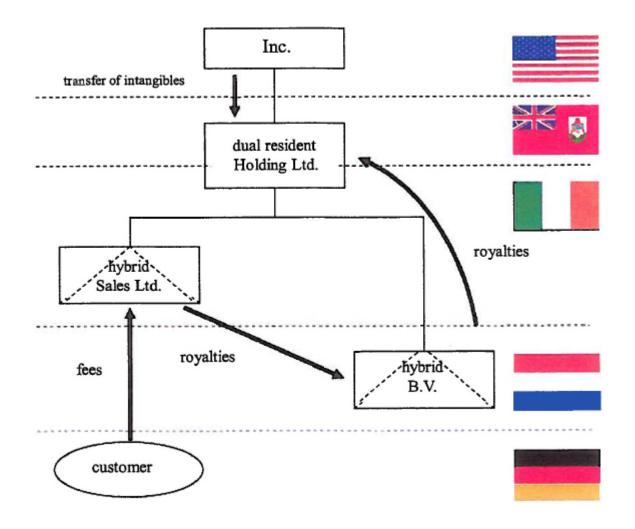
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The Rules

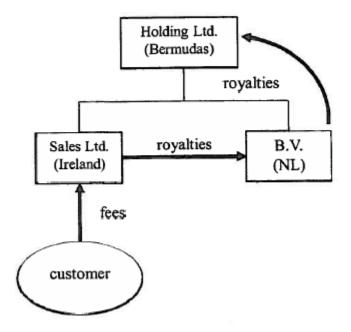
- Domestic tax legislation
- Double taxation agreements
- EU directives / EU law
- Exchange of information agreements
- ECJ Cadbury [..?..]



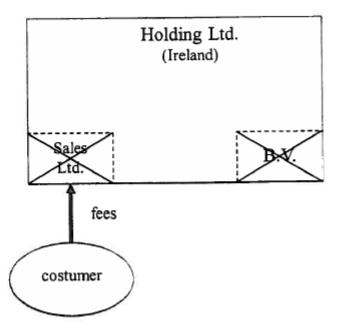
E-Commerce - structure



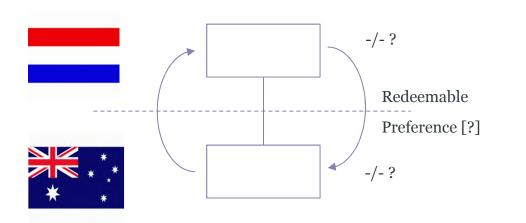
European perspective

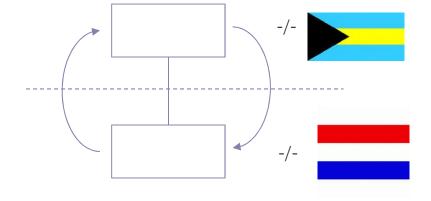


US perspective



Double DIP





A Typical Game

US Tower
Or
Dutch Tower



Proposed new rules (focus areas)

- Substance & anti-abuse rules
- Transparency & exchange of information
- Hybrid mismatches / double non-taxation
- Harmful Tax regimes
- Base erosion & profit shifting
- Transfer pricing
- Tax havens & aggressive tax planning
- GOCD Tax governance / reporting



Own reputation on aggressive tax planning

FORMULATE BEST PRACTICE RULES (PENDING) For example:

- KYC practice
- Communication on corporate reputation
- Reference to clients own tax policy/strategy
- Approval clients management board



The Coach Tax advice to multinationals

GLOBAL TAX POLICY/STRATEGY

TAX RISK CONTROL FRAMEWORK

TRANSPARENCY REPORTING

TAX PLANNING (REDUCE TAX COSTS)

The Team doctor
Tax (sanity check)
of
existing tax household
(tax diagnose)

