

Eva Joly makes her mark in the EU Parliament

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The chair of parliament's development committee has called for tough action against multinational companies who "seriously harm" poor countries through their use of tax havens.

Eva Joly, a former magistrate who has gained a reputation for campaigning against fraud and corruption, made her comments at a debate in Brussels on Tuesday.

She said tax havens were used as a means of tax evasion but the "real problem" was the funding and resources she says is subsequently denied to often developing countries, such as those in Africa and India.

Eva is an astonishing woman who has now joined the parliament. She has lost none of her fire!