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Minister Guillaume Long
Minister of Foreign Affairs of The Republic of Ecuador

**Tax Avoidance, Illicit Financial Flows and Global Development:
A Call for a United Nations Tax Body**

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As Ecuador takes over the presidency of the G77 + China group of 134 developing nations, its Foreign Affairs Minister has said that the country plans to make finance for development and tax justice the core of its presidency. The South American nation has put these issues on the agenda at the UN General Assembly, in the G77 + China group and at the Non-Aligned Movement summit. The day before Ecuador takes over the G77 at an official ceremony in New York, Ecuador's Minister of Foreign Affairs, Guillaume Long, will discuss tax avoidance, tax havens and development at a special event in Washington DC. The Minister will also discuss the next steps of establishing a United Nations global tax body.

In May 2016, Ecuador pledged to lead in global policies that promote transparency and challenge the use of tax havens. Ecuador holds a pioneering referendum on tax havens in February 2017 to bar public servants from holding office if they hide money or assets in tax havens.

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