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AMENDMENTS

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Discharge 2015: General budget of the EU - European External Action Service
(2016/2160(DEC))

Amendment 1
Dennis de Jong

Proposal for a decision 1
Citation 8 a (new)

Proposal for a decision

Amendment

- ***having regard to the Special report no 07/2016 of the European Court of Auditors: The European External Action Service's management of its buildings around the world;***

Or. en

Amendment 2
Ryszard Czarnecki, Raffaele Fitto, Raffaele Fitto, Richard Sulík, Beata Gosiewska

Proposal for a decision 1
Paragraph 1

Proposal for a decision

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 3
Cătălin Sorin Ivan

Proposal for a decision 1
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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 4
Cătălin Sorin Ivan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5 a. Welcomes that improved and more comprehensive guidelines reinforcing the supervision of the heads of delegations, covering both the accountability, reporting requirements have been issued in the framework of the EAMR exercise covering the year 2015;

Or. en

Amendment 5
Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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total; points out that *out of* those 63 posts, **10 were women (16 %) and 16** were nationals of Member States which joined the Union in 2004, **2007 and 2013 (25 %)**; notes also that *out of* 29 deputy heads of delegation, **7 were occupied by women (24 %) and 6** by Member States' diplomats (21 %);

total; points out that those 63 posts *were distributed with an unequal gender balance of 16 % / 84 %, and only 16 out of the 63* were nationals of Member States which joined the Union in 2004 *or later*; notes also that *within the* 29 deputy heads of delegation, *the genders were represented with an imbalance of 24 % / 76 %, and that 6 of the deputy heads of delegations were* Member States' diplomats;

Or. en

Amendment 6 **Petri Sarvamaa**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 22**

Motion for a resolution

22. Notes that the general distribution by gender is almost reaching parity with **47 % of women** in the overall staff, while *they are only 31,7 % of the AD level staff* (compared to 31 % in 2014); observes that this 30 % proportion is stable since 2011;

Amendment

22. Notes that the general distribution by gender is almost reaching parity with *a balance of 47 % / 53 %* in the overall staff, while *on the AD level staff the difference is 31,7 % / 68,3 %* (compared to 31 % / 69 % in 2014); observes that this 30 % proportion is stable since 2011;

Or. en

Amendment 7 **Petri Sarvamaa**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 23**

Motion for a resolution

23. Reiterates its concern about gender imbalances in management positions as the *women's share at that level* is currently **only** at 21,4 %; regrets that the ratio of *female* applying to management positions remains at the low level of 16 %; considers that progress is important in this regard and

Amendment

23. Reiterates its concern about gender imbalances in management positions as the level is currently at 21,4 % / **78,6 %**; regrets that the ratio of *the other gender* applying to management positions remains at the low level of 16 %; considers that progress is important in this regard and

calls therefore on the EEAS to reshape its conditions and recruitment policies in order to attract *more women* for management positions;

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Or. en

Amendment 8 **Tamás Deutsch**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 24**

Motion for a resolution

24. Reiterates that geographical balance, mainly the relationship between staff nationality and the size of Member States, should be an important element of *the* EEAS human resources management particularly with respect to the Member States that have acceded to the Union since 2004; is seriously concerned about the continuous underrepresentation of those Member States at both staff and management level; calls, therefore, on the EEAS to endeavour to correct this situation significantly;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 9 **Dennis de Jong, Benedek Jávor**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 27**

Motion for a resolution

27. Reminds the EEAS that there is a silver lining between economic diplomacy and lobbying; calls therefore on the EEAS to *set up rules on lobbying in order to*

Amendment

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distinguish between the two, and to enhance transparency for lobbying both in the headquarter and the delegations;

Agreement on a Mandatory Transparency Register, including for the Union delegations, insofar as this is legally possible;

Or. en

Amendment 10

Benedek Jávor, Bart Staes

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Takes note of the annual expenditure of EUR160 million devoted to the Union's delegation network, which represent more than a 50 % increase compared to the preceding financial year; notes that 80 % of the delegations are still rented, the rents amounting to EUR 53,04 million in 2015; welcomes the loan facility of EUR200million for better managing the building policy and reducing the purchasing costs of delegations; regrets that despite the loan facility and the increase in expenditure only a few delegation buildings are owned by the EEAS;

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Or. en

Amendment 11

Dennis de Jong

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 28 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28 a. Calls on the EEAS for an overhaul

of its building policies in line with the recommendations made by the Court of Auditors in its Special Report no. 07/2016, in particular concerning:

- the need for consistency and full costs recovery of the charges paid by Member States or other Union institutions or bodies hosted in delegation office buildings;

- the improved selecting of delegation buildings;

- direct involvement of headquarters before renting (or renewing a rental agreement) or buying office buildings;

- the improvement of its real-estate management information system, so that the EEAS has more reliable and relevant information to feed into the planning process;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Ingeborg Gräßle

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

34a. *Asks the EEAS for an annual list of inspections carried out in the delegations;*

Or. de

Amendment 13
Ingeborg Gräßle

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

34b. *Calls on the EEAS to have checks*

carried out by the delegation inspectorate on the last five rental or purchase agreements for residences for EU ambassadors, including the residence in Tirana, Albania, and to forward the report to Parliament;

Or. de

Amendment 14
Cătălin Sorin Ivan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 a. Welcomes that the EEAS envisages a project of common vision and joint action with the objective of achieving a stronger Europe which contributes to peace and security in the region and the whole world;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Cătălin Sorin Ivan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 b. Calls the EEAS to improve its communication policy towards Union citizens.

Or. en