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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion
Sylvie Guillaume
(PE541.390v01-00)

on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the European
Police Office (Europol) for the financial year 2013
(2014/2118(DEC))

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Amendment 1
Barbara Matera

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment 2
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Draft opinion
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welcomes the fact that Europol has posted its best budget outturn figures since it became a Union agency in 2010 and that it has cut administrative costs by a significant amount (26% over the last three years);

Or. it

Amendment 3
Barbara Matera

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

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Amendment

4a. Welcomes, furthermore, Europol's adoption of a new code of conduct with a focus on guarding against conflicts of interest – a key issue to which Parliament has drawn attention during previous discharge procedures;

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Amendment 4
Tomáš Zdechovský

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