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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion
Thijs Berman
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on discharge in respect of the implementation of the European Union general budget for the financial year 2011, Section III - Commission (COM(2012)0436 – C7-0224/2012 – 2012/2167(DEC))

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Amendment 1
Thijs Berman

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3 a. Looks forward to seeing the first results of the Commission's new methodology for calculating the residual error rate, to be applied for the first time across the external relations directorates in the financial year 2012;

Or. en

Amendment 2
Thijs Berman

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3 b. Joins the Court of Auditors in its strong concerns about the inadequacy of staff resources for aid management, in particular in EuropeAid's Internal Audit Unit and delegations, and the potential detrimental effects of the high turnover rate of contractual staff in headquarters and the Commission reorganisation of mid-2011 on aid management; appeals to Council, as the other arm of the budgetary authority, to take its responsibility in ensuring that aid can continue to be managed in accordance with the highest standards in future years;

Or. en

Amendment 3
Thijs Berman

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4 a. Underlines that the envisaged reinforcement of EuropeAid staffing in the Neighbourhood region should not be achieved by a reduction and transfer to the Neighbourhood of staff managing EU aid to Least Developed Countries and other Low Income Countries in other regions; is rather of the opinion that if additional needs arise, these must be met with additional staff;

Or. en