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# **AMENDMENTS** 1 - 10

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### Amendment 1 Sylvie Goddyn, France Jamet

# Draft opinion Paragraph 1

#### Draft opinion

1. Underlines the importance of the European Fisheries Control Agency (the 'Agency') in the harmonisation and application of the principles of the common fisheries policy (CFP); *welcomes its effectiveness*, the progress made and the *excellent* results achieved since it was set up;

#### Amendment

1. Underlines the importance of the European Fisheries Control Agency (the 'Agency') in the harmonisation and application of the principles of the common fisheries policy (CFP); *notes* the progress made and the results achieved since it was set up;

Or. fr

Amendment 2 Sylvie Goddyn, France Jamet

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

#### Draft opinion

2. Highlights the Agency's contribution to the harmonisation and standardisation of CFP measures relating to monitoring, control and surveillance with the aim of ensuring equal treatment and improving compliance with the rules, *including* the landing obligation;

#### Amendment

2. Highlights the Agency's contribution to the harmonisation and standardisation of CFP measures relating to monitoring, control and surveillance with the aim of ensuring equal treatment and improving compliance with the rules, *despite the difficulties posed by* the landing obligation;

Or. fr

Amendment 3 Sylvie Goddyn, France Jamet

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

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- 5. Expresses its satisfaction at the 15% increase in inspections in 2016, reflecting improved coordination of human resources with the Member States through joint deployment plans (JDPs) and coordination of operational plans;
- 5. *Notes* the 15% increase in inspections in 2016, reflecting improved coordination of human resources with the Member States through joint deployment plans (JDPs) and coordination of operational plans;

Or. fr

Amendment 4 Sylvie Goddyn, France Jamet

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

#### Draft opinion

6. Points out that the Agency's budget has remained unchanged for the last five years despite the increase in its missions and inspections; that its spending on human resources has nevertheless not changed; that the cost of operations fell over the same period; stresses that these elements, which reflect the optimisation of resources and quality of management at the Agency, may hinder progress due to a lack of sufficient budget appropriations while putting pressure on agents' activities to an extent that should be audited to ensure the quality of their working conditions;

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6. Points out that the Agency's budget has remained unchanged for the last five years despite the increase in its missions and inspections; that its spending on human resources has nevertheless not changed; that the cost of operations fell over the same period; stresses that these elements, which reflect the optimisation of resources and quality of management at the Agency, should prompt other EU bodies and agencies to reduce the burden they impose on the European taxpayer;

Or. fr

Amendment 5 Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion Paragraph 6 a (new)

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#### Amendment

6a. Draws attention to the importance of the Agency's role in implementing the revised Common Fisheries Policy and in achieving the objectives thereof,

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particularly as regards the landing obligation and the requirements concerning the monitoring, control and surveillance of fisheries activities; stresses that the possibility of increasing appropriations for the Agency's operations in future years should therefore be considered;

Or. it

Amendment 6 Sylvie Goddyn, France Jamet

Draft opinion Paragraph 8

### Draft opinion

8. Stresses the excellent implementation rate for C1 commitment appropriations (99.6 %), an improvement over the previous year, and for C1 payment appropriations (88.5 %), stable compared to the previous years; encourages the Agency to continue its efforts to ensure optimum take-up of the appropriations allocated:

#### Amendment

8. *Highlights the* implementation rate for C1 commitment appropriations (99.6 %), an improvement over the previous year, and for C1 payment appropriations (88.5 %), stable compared to the previous years; encourages the Agency to continue its efforts to ensure optimum take-up of the appropriations allocated;

Or. fr

Amendment 7 Sylvie Goddyn, France Jamet

Draft opinion Paragraph 9

#### Draft opinion

9. Acknowledges the quality and relevance of the joint work carried out by the Agency as part of the pilot common project with the European Maritime Safety Agency and Frontex on the creation of a coastguard function; but reminds the Commission that the Agency should be given sufficient resources for

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9. **Reminds** the Commission that the Agency should be given sufficient resources for **projects** linked to the use of new technologies in monitoring (drones) or training (e-learning);

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this type of project or any other future project, in particular those linked to the use of new technologies in monitoring (drones) or training (e-learning);

Or. fr

**Amendment 8 Nicola Caputo** 

Draft opinion Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

9a. Recalls the importance of expanding the Agency's mandate with a view to developing joint operational activities with other Union agencies in the maritime sector, in order to prevent disasters at sea and to coordinate the work of European coastguards;

Or. it

Amendment 9 Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

9 a. Points out that the Agency should be given sufficient resources to conduct new types of operations to disrupt people smuggling routes, as well as to use the data provided by its ship reporting systems in order to detect vessels carrying migrants;

Or. en

Amendment 10 Sylvie Goddyn, France Jamet

## Draft opinion Paragraph 11

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11. Points to the lack of gender balance in the composition of the Agency's staff and calls for consideration to be given to a fair distribution of duties;

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