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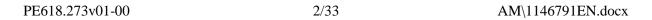
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Amendment 1 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Citation 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the report of the European Court of Auditors on the rapid case review on the implementation of the 5% reduction of staff posts published on 21 December 2017,

Or. en

Amendment 2 Dennis de Jong

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Emphasises that the agencies *are* highly visible in the Member States and have significant influence on policy and decision making and programme implementation in areas of vital importance to European citizens, such as health, safety, security, freedom and justice; reiterates the importance of the tasks performed by agencies and their direct impact on the daily lives of Union citizens; reiterates also the importance of the autonomy of the agencies, in particular of the regulatory agencies and those with the function of independent information collection; recalls that the main reasons for establishing agencies was for the purpose of making independent technical or scientific assessments, operating Union systems and facilitating the implementation of the Union Single Market;

Amendment

Emphasises that the agencies have significant influence on policy and decision making and programme implementation in areas of vital importance to European citizens, such as health, safety, security, freedom and justice; reiterates the importance of the tasks performed by agencies and their direct impact on the daily lives of Union citizens; reiterates also the importance of the autonomy of the agencies, in particular of the regulatory agencies and those with the function of independent information collection; whilst recognising that stakeholders have found their way to the agencies, it is concerned that in general the visibility of agencies for European citizens is still limited, whereas for their accountability and independence a high level of visibility is required;

Or. en

Amendment 3 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Emphasises that the agencies are highly visible in the Member States and have significant influence on policy and decision making and programme implementation in areas of vital importance to European citizens, such as health, safety, security, freedom and justice; reiterates the importance of the tasks performed by agencies and their direct impact on the daily lives of Union citizens; reiterates also the importance of the autonomy of the agencies, in particular of the regulatory agencies and those with the function of independent information collection; recalls that the main reasons for establishing agencies was for the purpose of making independent technical or scientific assessments, operating Union systems and facilitating the implementation of the Union Single Market;

Amendment

Emphasises that the agencies are highly visible in the Member States and have significant influence on policy and decision making and programme implementation in areas of vital importance to European citizens, such as health, safety, security, freedom and justice, research and industrial development, economic and monetary affairs, employment and social progress; reiterates the importance of the tasks performed by agencies and their direct impact on the daily lives of Union citizens; reiterates also the importance of the autonomy of the agencies, in particular of the regulatory agencies and those with the function of independent information collection; recalls that the main reasons for establishing agencies was for the purpose of making independent technical or scientific assessments, operating Union systems and facilitating the implementation of the Union Single Market;

Or. en

Amendment 4 Dennis de Jong

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Notes that, according to the Court of Auditors' summary of results of the Court's 2016 annual audits of the Union

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2. Recalls that the main reasons for establishing agencies was for the purpose of making independent technical or

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agencies and other bodies ("the Court's summary"), the agencies' 2016 budget amounted to some EUR 3,4 billion, representing an increase of about 21,42 % compared to 2015 and about 2,4 % (2015: 2%) of the Union's general budget; points out that the increase is mainly related to agencies working on matters related to industry, research and energy (additional EUR 358 000 000) and civil liberties, justice and home affairs (additional EUR 174 000 000); notes moreover that of the EUR 3,4 billion budget, some EUR 2,4 billion were financed by the Union general budget, whereas some EUR 1 billion were financed by fees and also by direct contributions from Member States, the European Free Trade Association countries and other sources:

scientific assessments, which make clear and effective rules to prevent conflicts of interest indispensable, operating Union systems and facilitating the implementation of the Union Single Market; calls on all agencies to participate in the inter-institutional agreement on the transparency register that is currently subject of negotiations between the Commission, the Council and the Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 5 Ryszard Czarnecki, Notis Marias, Raffaele Fitto, Beata Gosiewska, Richard Sulík

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Notes that, according to the Court of Auditors' summary of results of the Court's 2016 annual audits of the Union agencies and other bodies ("the Court's summary"), the agencies' 2016 budget amounted to some EUR 3,4 billion, representing an increase of about 21,42 % compared to 2015 and about 2,4 % (2015: 2%) of the Union's general budget; points out that the increase is mainly related to agencies working on matters related to industry, research and energy (additional EUR 358 000 000) and civil liberties, justice and home affairs (additional EUR 174 000 000); notes moreover that of the EUR 3,4 billion budget, some EUR 2,4

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Notes with concern that, according to the Court of Auditors' summary of results of the Court's 2016 annual audits of the Union agencies and other bodies ("the Court's summary"), the agencies' 2016 budget amounted to some EUR 3,4 billion, representing an increase of about 21,42 % compared to 2015 and about 2,4 % (2015: 2%) of the Union's general budget; points out that the increase is mainly related to agencies working on matters related to industry, research and energy (additional EUR 358 000 000) and civil liberties, justice and home affairs (additional EUR 174 000 000); notes moreover that of the EUR 3,4 billion budget, some EUR 2,4

billion were financed by the Union general budget, whereas some EUR 1 billion were financed by fees and also by direct contributions from Member States, the European Free Trade Association countries and other sources; billion were financed by the Union general budget, whereas some EUR 1 billion were financed by fees and also by direct contributions from Member States, the European Free Trade Association countries and other sources;

Or. en

Amendment 6 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Calls on the Commission to work in close cooperation with the Agencies Network and the individual Agencies when preparing its proposal for the post-2020 Multiannual Financial Framework and examining alternative sources of financing for the Union's decentralized agencies;

Or. en

Amendment 7 Dennis de Jong

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Notes that the agencies employ 10 364 (2015: 9 848) permanent, temporary, contract or seconded staff, representing an increase of 5,24 % compared with the previous year; points out that the number of staff increased the most in agencies dealing with matters related to industry, research and energy (110), civil liberties,

Amendment

3. Emphasises that the Interinstitutional Working Group on decentralised agencies examined, in particular, the EASA pilot case for feefinanced agencies; states that even if agencies are fully fee-funded, they are still fully accountable to the discharge authority considering the reputational

justice and home affairs (177) and economic and monetary affairs (85);

risks involved; expresses, moreover, its concerns with the quality indicators used in the EASA pilot, as these are heavily focusing on customer satisfaction and less on air safety; calls upon the Commission to examine how the independence of fully fee-funded agencies can be ensured and to consider in this regard a system that the fees are paid to the Commission instead of to the agencies directly and that the agencies continue to be funded through the Union budget;

Or. en

Amendment 8 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Notes that the agencies employ 10 364 (2015: 9 848) permanent, temporary, contract or seconded staff, representing an increase of 5,24 % compared with the previous year; points out that the number of staff increased the most in agencies dealing with matters related to industry, research and energy (110), civil liberties, justice and home affairs (177) and economic and monetary affairs (85);

Amendment

3. Notes that the agencies employ 10 364 (2015: 9 848) permanent, temporary, contract or seconded staff, representing an increase of 5,24 % compared with the previous year *mainly due to the new tasks assigned*; points out that the number of staff increased the most in agencies dealing with matters related to industry, research and energy (110), civil liberties, justice and home affairs (177) and economic and monetary affairs (85);

Or. en

Amendment 9 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Is of the opinion that the discharge procedure needs to be streamlined and accelerated towards n+1; calls therefore on the Agencies and the Court to follow the good example set by the private sector and proposes to set the deadline for the publication of the Agencies' final accounts, annual activity reports and reports on budgetary and financial management on 31 March as well as advance the publication of the Court's annual reports on Agencies for July 1st at the very latest, in order to simplify and speed up the process, thereby closing the discharge procedure within the year following the accounting year in question;

Or. en

Amendment 10 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Calls on the Court to speed up the preparation and advance the publication of the reports on the Agencies' annual accounts, in order to simplify the current discharge exercise and to target the final discharge decision more towards year n+1;

Or. en

Amendment 11 Ryszard Czarnecki, Notis Marias, Raffaele Fitto, Beata Gosiewska, Richard Sulík

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6

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Motion for a resolution

6. Welcomes the contribution provided by the EU Agency's Network ("the Network") in coordinating, collecting and consolidating actions and information for the benefit of the Union Institutions, including the Parliament; notes that its coordination tasks include the annual discharge and budget procedures, the implementation of the Commission's roadmap stemming from the Common Approach and related policy initiatives, and the review and implementation of Financial and Staff Regulations;

Amendment

6. **Notes** the contribution provided by the EU Agency's Network ("the Network") in coordinating, collecting and consolidating actions and information for the benefit of the Union Institutions, including the Parliament; notes that its coordination tasks include the annual discharge and budget procedures, the implementation of the Commission's roadmap stemming from the Common Approach and related policy initiatives, and the review and implementation of Financial and Staff Regulations;

Or. en

Amendment 12 Dennis de Jong

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Believes that the Network provides for concrete added value in the relations between the Union Institutions and the decentralised agencies; considers that it would be an asset to support the management of the Network's Shared Support Office in Brussels; strongly supports its request for one temporary agent post, whose cost would be shared amongst the agencies in the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) 2019 budget request;

Amendment

Believes that the Network provides for concrete added value in the relations between the Union Institutions and the decentralised agencies; considers that it would be an asset to support the management of the Network's Shared Support Office in Brussels; strongly supports its request for one temporary agent post, whose cost would be shared amongst the agencies in the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) 2019 budget request, especially if the competences of the EU Agency's Network are clarified and, whilst respecting the autonomy of the agencies, are strengthened, whenever possible;

Or. en

Amendment 13 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Believes that the Network provides for concrete added value in the relations between the Union Institutions and the decentralised agencies; considers that it would be an asset to support the management of the Network's Shared Support Office in Brussels; strongly supports its request for one temporary agent post, whose cost would be shared amongst the agencies in the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) 2019 budget request;

Amendment

7. Believes that the Network provides for concrete added value in the relations between the Union Institutions and the decentralised agencies; considers that it would be an asset to support the management of the Network's Shared Support Office in Brussels; strongly supports its request for one temporary agent post, whose cost would be shared amongst the agencies in the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) 2019 budget request; encourages the Commission to include the extra post in its proposal for the 2019 budget;

Or. en

Amendment 14 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Observes that the Network, via the Performance Development sub-Network (PDN), prepared in 2016 the agencies' performance framework document, which describes the tools in place, including the use of indicators with a particular focus on the planning, measurement and reporting of efficiency; welcomes the fact that the PDN is currently working, together with the Commission, on the development of a maturity model for performance-based

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8. Observes that the Network, via the Performance Development sub-Network (PDN), prepared in 2016 the agencies' performance framework document, which describes the tools in place, including the use of indicators with a particular focus on the planning, measurement and reporting of efficiency; welcomes the fact that the PDN is currently working, together with the Commission, on the development of a maturity model for performance-based

budgeting to guide each agency in its efforts to optimise its capabilities to plan, monitor and report on results and budget and resources used; calls on the Network to report to the discharge authority on the measures adopted and their implementation; budgeting to guide each agency in its efforts to optimise its capabilities to plan, monitor and report on results and budget and resources used; notes room for improvement in some Agencies' use of outcome and impact indicators in their KPIs; calls on the Network to report to the discharge authority on the measures adopted and their implementation;

Or. en

Amendment 15 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Notes that carry-overs *are* often partly or fully justified by the multiannual nature of the agencies' operational programmes, do not necessarily indicate weaknesses in budget planning and implementation and are *they* always at odds with the budgetary principle of annuality; *acknowledges the fact that the carry-overs are usually explained* by the *multi-annual nature of operations*;

Amendment

10. Notes that carry-overs *may* often *be* partly or fully justified by the multiannual nature of the agencies' operational programmes, do not necessarily indicate weaknesses in budget planning and implementation and are *not* always at odds with the budgetary principle of annuality; *encourages the Agencies to consider* using differentiated appropriations, where recommended so by the *Court*;

Or. en

Amendment 16 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Highlights that the level of carryover cancellations is indicative of the extent to which the Agencies have

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correctly anticipated their financial needs and is a better indicator of good budgetary planning than the level of carry-overs; which the Agencies have correctly anticipated their financial needs and is *often* a better indicator of good budgetary planning than the *mere* level of carry-overs;

Or. en

Amendment 17 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Stresses, therefore, the need to establish clear definitions of acceptable carry-overs in order to streamline the Court's reporting on this issue, as well as to enable the discharge authority to distinguish between the carry-overs indicating poor budgetary planning, and the carry-overs as a budgetary tool which support multiannual programmes as well as procurement planning;

Amendment

13. Stresses, therefore, the need to establish clear definitions of acceptable carry-overs in order to streamline the Court's reporting on this issue, as well as to enable the discharge authority to distinguish between the carry-overs indicating poor budgetary planning, and the carry-overs as a budgetary tool which support multiannual programmes as well as procurement planning; believes that Court's suggestion to use differentiated carry overs would allow more transparency as regards what constitutes a justified carry-over;

Or. en

Amendment 18 Ryszard Czarnecki, Notis Marias, Raffaele Fitto, Beata Gosiewska, Richard Sulík

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Stresses, therefore, the need to establish clear definitions of acceptable carry-overs in order to streamline the

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Court's reporting on this issue, as well as to enable the discharge authority to distinguish between the carry-overs indicating poor budgetary planning, and the carry-overs as a budgetary tool which support multiannual programmes as well as procurement planning; streamline the Court's reporting on this issue, as well as to enable the discharge authority to distinguish between the carry-overs indicating poor budgetary planning, and the carry-overs as a budgetary tool which support multiannual programmes as well as procurement planning;

Or. en

Amendment 19 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Observes that the audited budgetary implementation reports of certain agencies differ from the level of detail provided by most other agencies, which demonstrates the need for clear guidelines on the agencies' budget reporting; acknowledges the efforts made in order to ensure consistency on the presentation and reporting of accounts; calls on the Network and the individual agencies to continue working on streamlined indicators and report the measures taken to the discharge authority;

Amendment

Observes that the audited budgetary implementation reports of certain agencies differ from the level of detail provided by most other agencies, which hampers readability and comparability, and which demonstrates the need for clear guidelines on the agencies' budget reporting; acknowledges the efforts made in order to ensure consistency on the presentation and reporting of accounts; stresses the importance of more standardized and comparable reporting to simplify and rationalize the discharge procedure and to facilitate discharge authority's work; calls furthermore on the Network and the individual agencies to continue working on streamlined indicators and report the measures taken to the discharge authority;

Or. en

Amendment 20 Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. **Observes** that the audited budgetary implementation reports of certain agencies differ from the level of detail provided by most other agencies, which demonstrates the need for clear guidelines on the agencies' budget reporting; acknowledges the efforts made in order to ensure consistency on the presentation and reporting of accounts; calls on the Network and the individual agencies to continue working on streamlined indicators and report the measures taken to the discharge authority;

Amendment

15. **Notes with concern** that the audited budgetary implementation reports of certain agencies differ from the level of detail provided by most other agencies, which demonstrates the need for clear guidelines on the agencies' budget reporting; acknowledges the efforts made in order to ensure consistency on the presentation and reporting of accounts; calls on the Network and the individual agencies to continue working on streamlined indicators and report the measures taken to the discharge authority;

Or. en

Amendment 21 Krišj nis Kari š, Marian-Jean Marinescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Notes that, according to the Court's summary, public procurement remains an error-prone area; notes that EASO, the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drugs Addiction (EMCDDA), the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT Systems in the area of freedom, security and justice (eu-LISA), the European Medicines Agency (EMA) and the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) did not fully comply with the public procurement principles and rules laid down in the Financial Regulation; calls on the Agencies to pay particular attention to the Court's comments on public procurement;

Amendment

16. Notes that, according to the Court's summary, public procurement remains an error-prone area; notes that EASO, the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drugs Addiction (EMCDDA), the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT Systems in the area of freedom, security and justice (eu-LISA), the European Medicines Agency (EMA) did not fully comply with the public procurement principles and rules laid down in the Financial Regulation; calls on the Agencies to pay particular attention to the Court's comments on public procurement;

Or. en

Amendment 22 Ryszard Czarnecki, Notis Marias, Raffaele Fitto, Beata Gosiewska, Richard Sulík

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Notes that, according to the Court's summary, public procurement remains an error-prone area; notes that EASO, the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drugs Addiction (EMCDDA), the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT Systems in the area of freedom, security and justice (eu-LISA), the European Medicines Agency (EMA) and the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) did not fully comply with the public procurement principles and rules laid down in the Financial Regulation; calls on the Agencies to pay particular attention to the Court's comments on public procurement;

Amendment

16. Notes that, according to the Court's summary, public procurement remains an error-prone area; expresses its dissatisfaction with EASO, the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drugs Addiction (EMCDDA), the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT Systems in the area of freedom, security and justice (eu-LISA), the European Medicines Agency (EMA) and the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC), which did not fully comply with the public procurement principles and rules laid down in the Financial Regulation; calls on the Agencies to pay particular attention to the Court's comments on public procurement;

Or. en

Amendment 23 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Notes that, according to the Court's summary, public procurement remains an error-prone area; notes that EASO, the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drugs Addiction (EMCDDA), the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT Systems in the area of freedom, security

Amendment

16. Notes *with concern* that public procurement *still* remains an error-prone area; notes that EASO, the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drugs Addiction (EMCDDA), the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT Systems in the area of freedom, security and justice (eu-LISA),

and justice (eu-LISA), the European Medicines Agency (EMA) and the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) did not fully comply with the public procurement principles and rules laid down in the Financial Regulation; calls on the Agencies to pay particular attention to the Court's comments on public procurement;

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Or. en

Amendment 24 Ryszard Czarnecki, Notis Marias, Raffaele Fitto, Beata Gosiewska, Richard Sulík

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Notes *with satisfaction* that the majority of the Agencies (27 out of 31) have a business continuity plan in place; considers that all agencies should have such a plan in place; calls on the Network to report to the discharge authority on the evolution of that situation;

Amendment

17. Notes that the majority of the Agencies (27 out of 31) have a business continuity plan in place; considers that all agencies should have such a plan in place; calls on the Network to report to the discharge authority on the evolution of that situation;

Or. en

Amendment 25 Marco Valli, Laura Agea

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Notes with concern that some agencies continue to have dual operational and administrative headquarters; regards it as essential that all dual headquarters which do not offer any operational added value should be

Or. it

Amendment 26 Dennis de Jong

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes with satisfaction that some agencies already cooperate according to their thematic grouping, such as the justice and home affairs agencies⁵ and the European supervisory authorities⁶; encourages other agencies which have not already started, to cooperate further with other agencies within the same thematic grouping whenever possible, not only in establishing shared services and synergies, but in their common policy areas as well; encourages the Court to consider presenting landscape reviews of the agencies' common policy areas;

Amendment

18. Notes with satisfaction that some agencies already cooperate according to their thematic grouping, such as the justice and home affairs agencies⁵ and the European supervisory authorities⁶; encourages other agencies which have not already started, to cooperate further with other agencies within the same thematic grouping whenever possible, not only in establishing shared services and synergies, but in their common policy areas as well; emphasizes that there are two locations for the Railways Agency, four agencies on social policies and six agencies on Justice and Home Affairs issues; expresses its disappointment with the outcome so far in this respect of the Inter-Institutional Working Group on decentralised agencies, as no specific proposals were developed to merge or co-locate agencies concentrating on related policy fields and calls upon the Commission to prepare a survey of possible steps in this direction; encourages the Court to consider presenting landscape reviews of the agencies' common policy areas;

⁵ European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex), European Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA), European

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Asylum Support Office (EASO), European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE), European Monitoring Centre for Drugsand Drug Addiction (EMCDDA), European Police College (CEPOL), European Police Office (Europol), European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA), The European Union's Judicial Cooperation Unit(Eurojust)

⁶ European Banking Authority (EBA), European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA), European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) Asylum Support Office (EASO), European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE), European Monitoring Centre for Drugsand Drug Addiction (EMCDDA), European Police College (CEPOL), European Police Office (Europol), European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA), The European Union's Judicial Cooperation Unit(Eurojust)

⁶ European Banking Authority (EBA), European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA), European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA)

Or. en

Amendment 27 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Notes that some agencies continue to have dual headquarters and multiple operational centres and offices; considers that all dual and multiple seats which do not offer any operational added value should be done away with at the earliest opportunity; expects Commission's evaluation in this regard, with focus on added value and costs incurred;

Or. en

Amendment 28 Marco Valli, Laura Agea

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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- 19. Highlights the benefits of sharing services, which enable consistent application of administrative implementing rules and procedures that concern human resources and finance issues, as well as the potential efficiency and cost-effectiveness gains of sharing services between the agencies, in particular when considering the budget and staff reductions that the agencies are facing;
- 19. Highlights the benefits of sharing services, which enable consistent application of administrative implementing rules and procedures that concern human resources and finance issues, as well as the potential efficiency and cost-effectiveness gains of sharing services between the agencies, in particular when considering the budget and staff reductions that the agencies are facing; calls on the Commission to submit, by the end of 2018, a plan to merge the common administrative functions of the agencies, in order to reduce expenditure and ensure that administrative tasks that do not give added value to the agencies' duties are reduced:

Or. it

Amendment 29 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Highlights the benefits of sharing services, which enable consistent application of administrative implementing rules and procedures that concern human resources and finance issues, as well as the potential efficiency and cost-effectiveness gains of sharing services between the agencies, in particular when considering the budget and staff reductions that the agencies are facing;

Amendment

19. Highlights the benefits of sharing services, which enable consistent application of administrative implementing rules and procedures that concern human resources and finance issues, as well as the potential efficiency and cost-effectiveness gains of sharing services between the agencies, in particular when considering the budget and staff reductions that the agencies are facing; notes that seeking synergies amongst agencies could alleviate administrative burden especially on smaller agencies;

Or. en

Amendment 30 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Recalls that paragraph 27 of the inter-institutional agreement⁷ calls for a progressive reduction of staff by 5 % in all institutions, bodies and agencies to be effected between 2013 and 2017; notes that the decentralised agencies, following the Commission's timetable⁸, started the reduction one year later and plan to finish by 2018; welcomes the fact that most agencies have already met or exceeded the 5 % reduction; notes that, according to the Court's rapid case review on the implementation of the 5 % reduction of staff posts, the decentralised agencies already reduced their number of establishment plan posts by a total of 279 in the period 2013-2017 against a target of 303 posts by 2018;

Amendment

23. Recalls that paragraph 27 of the inter-institutional agreement⁷ calls for a progressive reduction of staff by 5 % in all institutions, bodies and agencies to be effected between 2013 and 2017; notes that the decentralised agencies, following the Commission's timetable⁸, started the reduction one year later and plan to finish by 2018; welcomes the fact that most agencies have already met or exceeded the 5 % reduction; notes that, according to the Court's rapid case review on the implementation of the 5 % reduction of staff posts, the decentralised agencies already reduced their number of establishment plan posts by a total of 279 in the period 2013-2017 against a target of 303 posts by 2018; points out that a horizontal target has not proven to be the most suitable solution for the decentralized agencies, as their tasks and operational needs differ significantly;

Or. en

⁷ Interinstitutional agreement of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management (OJ C 373, 20.12.2013, p. 1).

⁸ For decentralised agencies, the Commission's communication COM(2013) 519 of 10 July 2013 applied the 5 % staff reduction target to the decentralised agencies over a 5 year period (2014-2018, with the reference year 2013).

⁷ Interinstitutional agreement of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management (OJ C 373, 20.12.2013, p. 1).

⁸ For decentralised agencies, the Commission's communication COM(2013) 519 of 10 July 2013 applied the 5 % staff reduction target to the decentralised agencies over a 5 year period (2014-2018, with the reference year 2013).

Amendment 31 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Notes *with concern* that the Commission applied an additional annual 1 % levy during the five-year period 2014-2018 to create a "redeployment pool", consisting of 218 posts in the period 2013-2017, from which it would allocate the posts to the agencies with new tasks entrusted to them or in a start-up phase⁹; notes that most new posts were granted to the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex), the European Police Office (Europol), EASO and the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA);

Amendment

24. Notes that the Commission applied an additional annual 1 % levy during the five-year period 2014-2018 to create a "redeployment pool", consisting of 218 posts in the period 2013-2017, from which it would allocate the posts to the agencies with new tasks entrusted to them or in a start-up phase⁹; notes that most new posts were granted to the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex), the European Police Office (Europol), EASO and the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA);

Or. en

Amendment 32 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Is particularly concerned that with the additional staff reduction, fulfilment of the agencies' mandates and annual work programmes are proving increasingly difficult to deliver, particularly for the

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⁹ Following the terminology used by the Commission to classify decentralised agencies as "start-up phase", "new tasks" or "cruising speed" reflecting their stage of development and the growth of their EU contributions and staffing levels.

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agencies classified by the Commission as "cruising speed agencies"; calls on the Commission and the budgetary authority to look into other options in order not to hinder the agencies' ability to *fulfil* their mandate; calls moreover on the Commission to recognise the savings the Network and the individual agencies achieved by using joint procurement procedures, by increasing efficiency and human resources management, as well as to allow, where needed, for the staff reduction targets to adapt accordingly;

agencies classified by the Commission as "cruising speed agencies"; calls on the Commission and the budgetary authority to look into other options in order not to hinder the agencies' ability to fulfil their mandate and recommends the budgetary authorities to authorise additional resources to agencies that are entrusted by the legislators to carry out new tasks; calls moreover on the Commission to recognise the savings the Network and the individual agencies achieved by using joint procurement procedures, by increasing efficiency and human resources management, as well as to allow, where needed, for the staff reduction targets to adapt accordingly;

Or. en

Amendment 33 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Is *particularly* concerned that with the additional staff reduction, fulfilment of the agencies' mandates and annual work programmes are proving increasingly difficult to deliver, particularly for the agencies classified by the Commission as "cruising speed agencies"; calls on the Commission and the budgetary authority to look into other options in order not to hinder the agencies' ability to fulfil their mandate; calls moreover on the Commission to recognise the savings the Network and the individual agencies achieved by using joint procurement procedures, by increasing efficiency and human resources management, as well as to allow, where needed, for the staff reduction targets to adapt accordingly;

Amendment

Is concerned that with the additional staff reduction, fulfilment of the agencies' mandates and annual work programmes are proving increasingly difficult to deliver, particularly for the agencies classified by the Commission as "cruising speed agencies"; calls on the Commission and the budgetary authority to look into other options in order not to hinder the agencies' ability to fulfil their mandate; calls moreover on the Commission to recognise the savings the Network and the individual agencies achieved by using joint procurement procedures, by increasing efficiency and human resources management, as well as to allow, where needed, for the staff reduction targets to adapt accordingly;

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Amendment 34 Dennis de Jong

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Observes that decentralised agencies increased the use of contract staff by 718 full-time equivalents to implement new tasks, in partial compensatation for the 5 % staff cut and the levy for the creation of the redeployment pool; notes that this mostly concerns Frontex, Europol, EASO and EASA, the European Union Agency for Network and Information Security (ENISA) and the European Global Navigation Satellite Systems Agency (GSA); is of the opinion that the use of contract staff is not in line with the targets set to achieve the staff reductions and should be used only as a temporary measure, in agencies with the greatest demand for new staff due to an increase in workload; calls on the Commission to deliberate again on its plans for a further 1 % annual staff reduction;

Amendment

26. Observes that decentralised agencies increased the use of contract staff by 718 full-time equivalents to implement new tasks, in partial compensatation for the 5 % staff cut and the levy for the creation of the redeployment pool; urges the agencies to not replace permanent staff by more expensive external consultants; notes that this mostly concerns Frontex, Europol, EASO and EASA, the European Union Agency for Network and Information Security (ENISA) and the European Global Navigation Satellite Systems Agency (GSA); is of the opinion that the use of contract staff is not in line with the targets set to achieve the staff reductions and should be used only as a temporary measure, in agencies with the greatest demand for new staff due to an increase in workload; calls on the Commission to deliberate again on its plans for a further 1 % annual staff reduction:

Or. en

Amendment 35 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- 26. Observes that decentralised agencies increased the use of contract staff by 718 full-time equivalents to implement new tasks, in partial compensatation for the 5 % staff cut and the levy for the creation of the redeployment pool; notes that this mostly concerns Frontex, Europol, EASO and EASA, the European Union Agency for Network and Information Security (ENISA) and the European Global Navigation Satellite Systems Agency (GSA); is of the opinion that the use of contract staff is not in line with the targets set to achieve the staff reductions and should be used only as a temporary measure, in agencies with the greatest demand for new staff due to an increase in workload; calls on the Commission to deliberate again on its plans for a further 1 % annual staff reduction;
- 26. Observes that decentralised agencies increased the use of contract staff by 718 full-time equivalents to implement new tasks, in partial compensatation for the 5 % staff cut and the levy for the creation of the redeployment pool; notes that this mostly concerns Frontex, Europol, EASO and EASA, the European Union Agency for Network and Information Security (ENISA) and the European Global Navigation Satellite Systems Agency (GSA); is of the opinion that contract staff should be used *mainly* as a temporary measure in agencies with the greatest demand for new staff due to an increase in workload; calls on the Commission to deliberate again on its plans for a further 1 % annual staff reduction;

Or. en

Amendment 36 Krišj nis Kari š, Marian-Jean Marinescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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measure, in agencies with the greatest demand for new staff due to an increase in workload; calls on the Commission to deliberate again on its plans for a further 1 % annual staff reduction; demand for new staff due to an increase in workload; calls on the Commission to deliberate again on its plans for a further 1 % annual staff reduction;

Or. en

Amendment 37 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Is concerned by a number of factors hindering the operational performance of justice and home affairs agencies, such as establishment plan cuts, limited human resources, difficulties in recruiting qualified people at given grades, a low correction coefficient in certain countries and the implementation of activities through a lengthy and administratively demanding grant process; acknowledges from the Network that the *grading of staff* at the entry-level grades do not allow recruitment of appropriate personnel and that the very low coefficient corrector for some countries results in the systematic use of higher grading in order to attract and retain suitable personnel; calls on the Commission to work on the revision of the formula used to calculate the correction coefficient in order to come to a more suitable solution for the agencies most affected by the low correction coefficient, to allow them to retain suitable personnel;

Amendment

27. Is concerned by a number of factors hindering the operational performance of justice and home affairs agencies, such as establishment plan cuts, limited human resources, difficulties in recruiting qualified people at given grades, a low correction coefficient in certain countries and the implementation of activities through a lengthy and administratively demanding grant process; notes from the Network that the low *correction* coefficient for some countries results in the systematic use of higher grading in order to attract and retain suitable personnel; calls on the Commission to work on the revision of the formula used to calculate the correction coefficient in order to find a more delicate balance between a tempting salary and the low costs of living;

Or. en

Amendment 38 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Is concerned by a number of factors hindering the operational performance of justice and home affairs agencies, such as establishment plan cuts, limited human resources, difficulties in recruiting qualified people at given grades, a low correction coefficient in certain countries and the implementation of activities through a lengthy and administratively demanding grant process; acknowledges from the Network that the grading of staff at the entry-level grades do not allow recruitment of appropriate personnel and that the very low coefficient corrector for some countries results in the systematic use of higher grading in order to attract and retain suitable personnel; calls on the Commission to work on the revision of the formula used to calculate the correction coefficient in order to come to a more suitable solution for the agencies most affected by the low correction coefficient, to allow them to retain suitable personnel;

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27. Is concerned by a number of factors hindering the operational performance of agencies, such as establishment plan cuts, limited human resources, difficulties in recruiting qualified people at given grades, a low correction coefficient in certain countries and the implementation of activities through a lengthy and administratively demanding grant process; acknowledges from the Network that the grading of staff at the entry-level grades do not allow recruitment of appropriate personnel and that the very low coefficient corrector for some countries results in the systematic use of higher grading in order to attract and retain suitable personnel; calls on the Commission to work on the revision of the formula used to calculate the correction coefficient in order to come to a more suitable solution for the agencies most affected by the low correction coefficient, to allow them to retain suitable personnel;

Or. en

Amendment 39 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Expresses its concern that only 22 Agencies (71 %) have adopted internal rules and guidelines on whistleblowing and reporting irregularities in accordance with the provisions of the Staff Regulations; notes that the remaining nine agencies

Amendment

29. **Points out that** 22 Agencies (71 %) have **already** adopted internal rules and guidelines on whistleblowing and reporting irregularities in accordance with the provisions of the Staff Regulations, **and** the remaining nine agencies foresee adoption

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foresee adoption of the relevant rules and guidelines; calls on the Network to report to the discharge authority on the adoption and implementation of these measures per individual Agency; of the relevant rules and guidelines; calls on the Network to report to the discharge authority on the adoption and implementation of these measures per individual Agency;

Or. en

Amendment 40 Ryszard Czarnecki, Notis Marias, Raffaele Fitto, Beata Gosiewska, Richard Sulík

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Expresses its concern that only 22 Agencies (71 %) have adopted internal rules and guidelines on whistleblowing and reporting irregularities in accordance with the provisions of the Staff Regulations; notes that the remaining nine agencies foresee adoption of the relevant rules and guidelines; calls on the Network to report to the discharge authority on the adoption and implementation of these measures per individual Agency;

Amendment

29. Expresses its concern that only 22 Agencies (71 %) have adopted internal rules and guidelines on whistleblowing and reporting irregularities in accordance with the provisions of the Staff Regulations; notes that the remaining nine agencies foresee adoption of the relevant rules and guidelines; calls on the Network to report *immediately* to the discharge authority on the adoption and implementation of these measures per individual Agency;

Or. en

Amendment 41 Dennis de Jong

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Welcomes the fact that 26 Agencies (84 %) have guidelines in place for granting public access to documents; calls on the remaining agencies who don't yet have such guidelines to adopt them without further delay; approves the development of

Amendment

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internal systems in place to handle the requests, including specially trained access-to-documents teams, dedicated to handling the incoming requests in agencies facing a higher frequency and complexity of requests; calls on the *agencies* to develop common guidelines for applying public access to documents, especially as regards intellectual property rights;

internal systems in place to handle the requests, including specially trained access-to-documents teams, dedicated to handling the incoming requests in agencies facing a higher frequency and complexity of requests; calls on the *Network* to develop common guidelines for applying public access to documents *to be implemented by the agencies*, especially as regards intellectual property rights;

Or. en

Amendment 42 Marco Valli, Laura Agea, Dario Tamburrano

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31a. Points out that the role of many agencies is to provide assessments and opinions on products and services for EU citizens; stresses that every expert's report provided by the agencies must be based on the use of public data, as only then will the international scientific community be able to check and confirm it; notes that several agencies also use information that is protected as a trade secret; believes that agencies should publish all the sources they use for their assessments, even those covered by trade secrecy, when giving opinions on products which may adversely affect the health of EU citizens;

Or. it

Amendment 43 Dennis de Jong

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 34

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Motion for a resolution

Notes that the agencies are actively promoting their work through various channels, in particular by regularly updating their websites to provide information and promote the work they have delivered; notes in addition that social media is increasingly becoming a standard communication tool for the agencies; observes that open days, targeted campaigns and videos explaining the core work of agencies are some of the activities used in educating citizens and providing them with opportunities to learn more about the work of the agencies and the Union institutions; acknowledges that the general or specialised media relations activities are regularly measured through different indicators, as well as that each Agency has its communication plan with specific activities tailored for its needs;

Amendment

Notes that the agencies are actively promoting their work through various channels but reiterates its call for more visibility in Member States by developing a comprehensive plan to reach more Union citizens, in particular by regularly updating their websites to provide information and promote the work they have delivered; notes in addition that social media is increasingly becoming a standard communication tool for the agencies; observes that open days, targeted campaigns and videos explaining the core work of agencies are some of the activities used in educating citizens and providing them with opportunities to learn more about the work of the agencies and the Union institutions; acknowledges that the general or specialised media relations activities are regularly measured through different indicators, as well as that each Agency has its communication plan with specific activities tailored for its needs;

Or. en

Amendment 44 Ryszard Czarnecki, Notis Marias, Raffaele Fitto, Beata Gosiewska, Richard Sulík

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Notes that the agencies *are* actively *promoting* their work through various channels, in particular by regularly updating their websites to provide information and promote the work they have delivered; notes in addition that social media is increasingly becoming a standard communication tool for the agencies; observes that open days, targeted

Amendment

34. Notes that the agencies should promote more actively their work through various channels, in particular by regularly updating their websites to provide information and promote the work they have delivered; notes in addition that social media is increasingly becoming a standard communication tool for the agencies; observes that open days, targeted

campaigns and videos explaining the core work of agencies are some of the activities used in educating citizens and providing them with opportunities to learn more about the work of the agencies and the Union institutions; acknowledges that the general or specialised media relations activities are regularly measured through different indicators, as well as that each Agency has its communication plan with specific activities tailored for its needs;

campaigns and videos explaining the core work of agencies are some of the activities used in educating citizens and providing them with opportunities to learn more about the work of the agencies and the Union institutions; acknowledges that the general or specialised media relations activities are regularly measured through different indicators, as well as that each Agency has its communication plan with specific activities tailored for its needs;

Or. en

Amendment 45 Dennis de Jong

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 36

Motion for a resolution

36. Takes note of the Court's opinion No 1/2017 on the revision of the Financial Regulation, in which it is proposed to update the arrangement for the audit of the decentralised agencies; regrets that the legislative proposal does not foresee any reduction of the excessive administrative burden that continues to be borne by the decentralised agencies; notes that the audit of the decentralised agencies "remains under the full responsibility of the Court, which manages all administrative and procurement procedures required"; reiterates moreover that the new audit approach involving private sector auditors has resulted in a significant increase of the administrative burden on the agencies, as well as that the time spent on procurement and administration of audit contracts created additional expenditure, thus straining further the diminishing resources of the agencies; emphasises that it is imperative to resolve this issue, in accordance with the Common Approach,

Amendment

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within the context of the current revision of the Financial Regulation and the subsequent revision of the Framework Financial Regulation; calls on all parties involved in these revisions to provide clarity on this issue as a matter of urgency so as to significantly reduce the excessive administrative burden: within the context of the current revision of the Financial Regulation and the subsequent revision of the Framework Financial Regulation; calls on all parties involved in these revisions to provide clarity on this issue as a matter of urgency so as to significantly reduce the excessive administrative burden; calls on the Court to take action by doing random checks;

Or. en

Amendment 46 Krišj nis Kari š, Marian-Jean Marinescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

37. Notes that, according to the Court's summary, the external evaluations of the agencies are in general positive and agencies prepared action plans to follow up issues raised in the evaluation reports; notes that while most agencies' founding regulations provide for an external evaluation to be carried out periodically (usually every four to six years), the founding regulations of five decentralised agencies - EASO, eu-LISA, ETF, ENISA and European Institute for Gender Equality - do not include such a provision and the founding regulation of the European Medicines Agency (EMA) requires an external evaluation only every ten years; is of the opinion that this issue should be addressed:

Amendment

37. Notes that, according to the Court's summary, the external evaluations of the agencies are in general positive and agencies prepared action plans to follow up issues raised in the evaluation reports; notes that while most agencies' founding regulations provide for an external evaluation to be carried out periodically (usually every four to six years), the founding regulations of six decentralised agencies - BEREC Office, EASO, eu-LISA, ETF, ENISA and European Institute for Gender Equality - do not include such a provision and the founding regulation of the European Medicines Agency (EMA) requires an external evaluation only every ten years; is of the opinion that this issue should be addressed;

Or. en

Amendment 47 Nedzhmi Ali, Martina Dlabajová, Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 48 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 38

Motion for a resolution

38. Notes the agreement reached at the General Affairs Council of 20 November 2017 to move EMA and the European Banking Authority (EBA) from London to Amsterdam and Paris respectively; is *concerned by* the potential impact of the United Kingdom's departure from the Union on them, in terms of future costs and loss of expertise, causing a risk to business continuity; notes moreover the possible impact on the revenue and activities of several non-London based agencies, in

Amendment

38. Notes the agreement reached at the General Affairs Council of 20 November 2017 to move EMA and the European Banking Authority (EBA) from London to Amsterdam and Paris respectively; is *aware of* the potential impact of the United Kingdom's departure from the Union on them, in terms of future costs and loss of expertise, causing a risk to business continuity; notes moreover the possible impact on the revenue and activities of several non-London based agencies, in

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particular EASA, the European Chemicals Agency, the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority, the European Securities and Markets Authority and GSA; particular EASA, the European Chemicals Agency, the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority, the European Securities and Markets Authority and GSA; calls on the Commission to keep the individual agencies and the Network fully aboard the Brexit negotiation process and the future preparations to minimize any negative impact that may occur;

Or. en