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## OPINION

of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

for the Committee on Budgetary Control

on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States (FRONTEX) for the financial year 2010 (C7-0291/211 - 2011/2231(DEC))

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## SUGGESTIONS

The Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs calls on the Committee on Budgetary Control, as the committee responsible, to incorporate the following suggestions in its motion for a resolution:

- 1. Welcomes the conclusion of the Court of Auditors that it was able to obtain reasonable assurances that the annual accounts of Frontex for the financial year 2010 are in all material respects reliable and that the underlying transactions, taken as a whole, are legal and regular;
- 2. Deplores the very high level of carryovers, representing 28 % of the budget of the Agency; takes note of the justifications given by the Agency, namely the need to ensure continuity in the Agency's operational activities and to allocate funds for deployment in the first quarter of the following year; reiterates that the practice of carryovers of appropriations should be strongly curtailed and should not hamper sound financial management practices; requests that the Agency follow the principle of annuality in the future;
- 3. Welcomes the efforts of the Agency to improve its monitoring of the operations' budget; acknowledges that the first Rapid Border Intervention Teams were deployed in November 2010 and that this resulted in significant changes to the Agency's budget;
- 4. Asks that the Court of Auditors, in its report on the annual accounts of the Agency for the financial year 2011, assesses in greater detail the operations' budget expenditure in relation to the objectives pursued by the Agency and its achievements;
- 5. Notes the progress made in validating the Agency's accounting system and calls for the process to be finalised as soon as possible;
- 6. Notes that discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the Agency should continue to be based on its performance throughout the year.

| Date adopted  | 9.2.2012   |
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| Result of final vote  | $\begin{array}{cccc} +: & & 49 \\ -: & & 2 \\ 0: & & 0 \end{array}$  |
| Members present for the final vote                            | Jan Philipp Albrecht, Sonia Alfano, Emine Bozkurt, Arkadiusz Tomasz<br>Bratkowski, Simon Busuttil, Carlos Coelho, Rosario Crocetta, Ioan<br>Enciu, Frank Engel, Cornelia Ernst, Monika Flašíková Beňová, Hélène<br>Flautre, Kinga Gál, Kinga Göncz, Nathalie Griesbeck, Sylvie<br>Guillaume, Anna Hedh, Salvatore Iacolino, Sophia in 't Veld, Lívia<br>Járóka, Teresa Jiménez-Becerril Barrio, Timothy Kirkhope, Monica<br>Luisa Macovei, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov, Véronique Mathieu, Anthea<br>McIntyre, Nuno Melo, Louis Michel, Antigoni Papadopoulou, Georgios<br>Papanikolaou, Jacek Protasiewicz, Carmen Romero López, Csaba<br>Sógor, Axel Voss, Renate Weber, Josef Weidenholzer, Cecilia<br>Wikström, Tatjana Ždanoka, Auke Zijlstra |
| Substitute(s) present for the final vote                      | Alexander Alvaro, Edit Bauer, Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Cornelis de<br>Jong, Ana Gomes, Petru Constantin Luhan, Ulrike Lunacek, Hubert<br>Pirker, Raül Romeva i Rueda, Kārlis Šadurskis  |
| Substitute(s) under Rule 187(2) present<br>for the final vote | Elisabeth Morin-Chartier, Antonyia Parvanova   |

## **RESULT OF FINAL VOTE IN COMMITTEE**

