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OPINION

of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

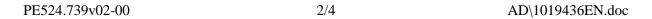
for the Committee on Budgetary Control

on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction for the financial year 2012 (C7-0289/2013 - 2013/2211(DEC))

Rapporteur: Zuzana Roithová

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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 conclusions of the Court of Auditors that the annual accounts of the Centre present fairly, in all material respects, its financial position as of 31 December 2012 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, and that the transactions underlying the annual accounts of the Centre for the financial year 2012 are legal and regular in all material respects;
- 2. Is concerned that, the Court of Auditors again made several critical comments covering a number of different issues, in particular as regards the absence of *ex ante* verifications of grants under the REITOX network as well as general *ex post* verifications, which were not carried out for any transactions made after 2008 and the possibility for considerably increasing assurance by better controlling the Centre's beneficiaries;
- 3. Is very concerned by the comments made by the Court of Auditors regarding the persistent situation where costs of about EUR 200 000 annually are incurred for unused office space borne by the Centre; requests that this matter be solved with absolute priority;
- 4. Notes that there is still room for further improvement of the recruitment and procurement procedures;
- 5. Generally considers that there should be further focus on auditing the Centre's sound financial management, namely the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which the Centre has used its appropriations in carrying out its responsibilities.

RESULT OF FINAL VOTE IN COMMITTEE

Date adopted	12.2.2014
Result of final vote	+: 47 -: 1 0: 1
Members present for the final vote	Jan Philipp Albrecht, Roberta Angelilli, Rita Borsellino, Arkadiusz Tomasz Bratkowski, Carlos Coelho, Agustín Díaz de Mera García Consuegra, Ioan Enciu, Frank Engel, Kinga Gál, Kinga Göncz, Ágnes Hankiss, Anna Hedh, Salvatore Iacolino, Lívia Járóka, Teresa Jiménez-Becerril Barrio, Timothy Kirkhope, Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Monica Luisa Macovei, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov, Véronique Mathieu Houillon, Anthea McIntyre, Nuno Melo, Roberta Metsola, Claude Moraes, Antigoni Papadopoulou, Georgios Papanikolaou, Judith Sargentini, Birgit Sippel, Csaba Sógor, Renate Sommer, Rui Tavares, Nils Torvalds, Kyriacos Triantaphyllides, Wim van de Camp, Axel Voss, Tatjana Ždanoka, Auke Zijlstra
Substitute(s) present for the final vote	Alexander Alvaro, Silvia Costa, Franco Frigo, Mariya Gabriel, Siiri Oviir, Zuzana Roithová, Salvador Sedó i Alabart, Sir Graham Watson
Substitute(s) under Rule 187(2) present for the final vote	Françoise Castex, Knut Fleckenstein, Anne E. Jensen, Luis Yáñez-Barnuevo García

