Procedure file

Basic information					
DEC - Discharge procedure	2019/2077(DEC)	Procedure completed			
2018 discharge: European Aviation Safety Agency (EA					
Subject 8.70.03.08 2018 discharge					

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible CONT Budgetary Control	Rapporteur	Appointed 01/10/2019
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Key events			
27/06/2019	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2019)0316	
18/09/2019	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
19/02/2020	Vote in committee		

04/03/2020	Committee report tabled for plenary	A9-0074/2020	
13/05/2020	Results of vote in Parliament		
13/05/2020	Decision by Parliament	T9-0082/2020	Summary
13/05/2020	End of procedure in Parliament		
11/12/2020	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	CONT/9/00845

Documentation gateway					
Non-legislative basic document		COM(2019)0316	27/06/2019	EC	
Committee draft report		PE639.914	20/12/2019	EP	
Committee opinion	TRAN	PE642.926	22/01/2020	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE644.977	31/01/2020	EP	
Supplementary non-legislative basic document		05761/2020	06/02/2020	CSL	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A9-0074/2020	04/03/2020	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T9-0082/2020	13/05/2020	EP	Summary

Final act

Budget 2020/1873

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2018 discharge: European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)

The European Parliament decided to grant discharge to the Executive Director of the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) for the financial year 2018 and to approve the closure of the accounts for the financial year in question.

Noting that the Court of Auditors has stated that it has obtained reasonable assurances that the Agencys annual accounts for the financial year 2018 are reliable and that the underlying transactions are legal and regular, Parliament adopted by 612 votes to 54 with 27 abstentions, a resolution containing a series of recommendations, which form an integral part of the decision on discharge and which add to the general recommendations set out in the <u>resolution</u> on performance, financial management and control of EU agencies:

Agencys financial statements

The final budget of the Agency for the financial year 2018 was EUR 197 871 000, representing an increase of 3.27 % compared to 2017.

Budget and financial management

The budget monitoring efforts during the financial year 2018 resulted in a budget implementation rate of 98.31 %, representing a decrease of 1.02 % compared to 2017. The payments appropriations execution rate was 90.26 %, showing a decrease of 3.49 % compared to 2017.

Other observations

Members also made a series of observations regarding performance, staff policy, procurement and internal controls.

In particular, they noted that:

- following the 2017 audit of the Agency carried out by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), in June 2018 ICAO published the results confirming the very high implementation rate, which puts the Agency among the top three aviation regulators in the world;
- the Agency made significant efforts to create a single European drone area. However, it should ensure that the Union acquires rules on the commercial sale of drones;
- on 31 December 2018, the establishment plan was 95.74 % executed, with 651 temporary agents appointed out of 680 temporary agents authorised under the Union budget;
- the Agency should develop a long term human resources policy framework which addresses the work-life balance of its staff, career development, the gender balance, teleworking and the recruitment and integration of disabled people.

Transparency				
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