2010 discharge: European Police Office (EUROPOL)

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Having examined the revenue and expenditure accounts for the financial year 2010 and the balance sheet at 31 December 2010 of the European Police Office (Europol), as well as the Court of Auditors' report on the annual accounts of Europol for the financial year 2010, accompanied by Europol's replies to the Court's observations, the Council recommends the European Parliament to give a discharge to the Director of Europol in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 2010.

However, the Council considers that observations made in the Court of Auditor's report call for a certain number of remarks:

- the Council welcomes the Court's opinion that, in all material respects, Europol's annual accounts fairly present the financial position as at 31 December 2010 and the results of operations and cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with the provisions of Europol's Financial Regulation, and that the underlying transactions for that financial year are legal and regular;
- the Council recommends Europol to improve its financial programming and monitoring of the budget implementation, with the aim to **reduce the appropriations carried over to the next financial year**, in line with the budgetary principle of annuality.