2010 discharge: Community Fisheries Control Agency (CFCA)

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The Committee on Budgetary Control adopted the report by Monica Luisa MACOVEI (PPE, RO) on discharge in respect of the budget of the Community Fisheries Control Agency and called on the European Parliament to grant the Executive Director of the Agency discharge in respect of the implementation of the Agency's budget for the financial year 2010.

Noting that the Court of Auditors stated that it has obtained reasonable assurances that the annual accounts for the financial year 2010 are reliable and that the underlying transactions are legal and regular, Members approve the closure of the Agency’s accounts. However, they make a number of recommendations that need to be taken into account when the discharge is granted, in addition to the general recommendations that appear in the draft resolution on performance, financial management and control of EU agencies:

- **Budgetary and financial management**: Members note that the Agency paid out 85.6 % of the available payment appropriations (excluding expenditure from the other sources of revenue). They urge the Agency to respect the principle of annuality.
- Procurement procedures: the committee calls on the Agency to take the necessary measures to ensure that procurement documents are duly signed and dated.
- Performance: it underlines the importance of the Agency's tasks and welcomes its efficient and effective performance, which its Committee on Fisheries was able to observe during its visit to the Agency in June 2010.
- **Internal audit**: Members note that the Agency does not employ a full-time IAC but shares this service with the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) in Lisbon. They also note that in 2010 the IAS performed an audit of budget execution. They observe that the notes that certain recommendations of the IAS, have been reported as implemented by the Agency and call on the Agency to implement the others.