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In view of the observations made in the Court of Auditor's report, the Council called on the European Parliament **to grant discharge to all of the Union’s institutions in regard to the implementation of their respective budgets for the financial year 2012**.

Overall, the Council’s remarks were positive in regard to the expenditure of the institutions since it noted that, again in 2012, the administrative expenditure of EU institutions and bodies **remained free from material error** with an estimated error rate of 0%, and that their supervisory and control systems continued to comply with the requirements of the Financial Regulation.

The Council welcomed the fact that, according to the Court's assessment, **no serious errors** were detected with regard to the effectiveness of the supervisory and control systems, in the individual institutions, except for a limited number of errors in the procurement procedures and the management of **social allowances**.

It welcomed the measures already taken and encouraged the institutions concerned to address the remaining weaknesses identified by the Court.