

# 2013 discharge 2013: European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders (Frontex)

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**PURPOSE:** to grant discharge to the European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union (FRONTEX) for the financial year 2013.

**NON LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Decision (EU) 2015/1691 of the European Parliament on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of FRONTEX for the financial year 2013.

**CONTENT:** with the present decision, the European Parliament grants discharge to the Executive Director of FRONTEX for the implementation of its budget for the financial year 2013.

This decision is in line with the European Parliament's resolution adopted on 29 April 2015 and comprises a series of observations that form an integral part of the discharge decision (please refer to the summary of the opinion of 29 April 2015).

Amongst Parliament's main observations, it regretted that for 2 consecutive years, **the Court found no reasonable assurances as to the legality and regularity of the Agency's transactions**. Parliament asked the Agency to perform the reasonableness checks prior to payment for joint return operations and joint land/sea/air operations, and to ensure the legality and regularity of all documentation supporting the cooperating countries' entitlements.