European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF): secretariat of the Supervisory Committee

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The Committee on Budgetary Control adopted the report by Ingeborg GRÄSSLE (EPP, DE) on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 883/2013, as regards the secretariat of the Supervisory Committee of the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF).

The committee recommended that the European Parliament's position adopted at first reading following the ordinary legislative procedure should adopt its position at first reading, **taking over the Commission proposal**.

To recall, the proposal aims to strengthen the independence of the OLAF Supervisory Committee's Secretariat, thus providing for a more effective functioning of the Supervisory Committee.

In the past the European Parliament called several times on the Commission to take measures to reinforce the independent functioning of the OLAF Supervisory Committee's secretariat, for example in its report on the discharge procedure for 2013 or in its resolution on the OLAF Supervisory Committee's annual report 2014.

Under the new proposed Regulation, the secretariat of the Supervisory Committee will be provided by the Commission, and no longer by OLAF.