2014 discharge: EU general budget, Economic and Social Committee

2015/2159(DEC) - 28/04/2016 - Final act

PURPOSE: to grant discharge to the European Economic and Social Committee for the financial year 2014.

NON LEGISLATIVE ACT : Decision (EU) 2016/1476 of the European Parliament on discharge in respect of the implementation of the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2014, Section VI — European Economic and Social Committee.

CONTENT: with the present decision, the European Parliament grants the Secretary-General of the European Economic and Social Committee discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the European Economic and Social Committee for the financial year 2014.

This decision is in line with the European Parliament's resolution adopted on 28 April 2016 and comprises a series of observations that form an integral part of the discharge decision (please refer to the summary of the opinion of 28 April 2016).

Amongst Parliament’s main observations in the resolution accompanying the discharge decision, the latter hoped that with the enforcement of the new rules on whistleblowers, the EESC will immediately and efficiently take the measures necessary to **ensure recognition, respect and consideration of whistleblowers** in cases acknowledged as such by the General Court prior to the adoption of those rules. It called for the necessary measures to be taken to end once and for all the attacks being made against those whistleblowers through various EESC publications.