

# 2014 discharge: 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 2014.

**NON LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Decision (EU) 2016/1576 of the European Parliament on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of FRONTEX for the financial year 2014.

**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 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, it noted that considerable improvements were noted in both ex ante and ex post verifications of expenditure claimed by cooperating countries under grant agreements. It called on the Agency to fully **explore the possibility of cooperation** with the audit authorities set up under the External Border Fund and the Internal Security Fund and to report back to the discharge authority on the evaluation of such cooperation.