2016 discharge: Eurojust, European Union's Judicial Cooperation Unit

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Having examined the revenue and expenditure accounts for the financial year 2016 and the balance sheet at 31 December 2016 of the European Union's Judicial Cooperation Unit (Eurojust), as well as the Court of Auditors' report on the annual accounts of Eurojust for the financial year 2016, accompanied by Eurojust's replies to the Court's observations, the Council recommended the European Parliament to give a discharge to the Administrative Director of Eurojust in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 2016.

The Council welcomed the Court's opinion that Eurojust's annual accounts present fairly its financial position as at 31 December 2016 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with the provisions of Eurojust's Financial Regulation, and that the underlying transactions for 2016 are legal and regular in all material respects.

Nevertheless, the following observation was made:

- **carry-overs**: the Council called on Eurojust to continue improving its financial programming in order to reduce the level of commitments carried over to the next financial year in line with the budgetary principle of annuality.