2016 discharge: European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA)

2017/2157(DEC) - 03/10/2018 - Final act

PURPOSE: to grant discharge to the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) in respect of the Agency' s budget for the financial year 2016.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision (EU) 2018/1394 of the European Parliament on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the European Maritime Safety Agency for the financial year 2016.

CONTENT: the European Parliament decided to **grant discharge** to the Executive Director of the European Maritime Safety Agency for the implementation of its budget for the financial year 2016.

This decision is accompanied by a resolution of the European Parliament containing the observations which form an integral part of the discharge decision in respect of the implementation of the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2016 (*please refer to the summary dated 18.4.2018*).

In this resolution, Parliament noted that the legislative proposal to amend the Agency's founding regulation with the aim of developing European cooperation on coastguard functions had a significant impact on the Agency's multi-annual programming exercises, conducted in 2016. It took note, moreover, of the pilot project launched by the Parliament aiming to explore and further develop, in 2016 and 2017, inter-agency synergies between the Agency, Frontex and EFCA to enhance cooperation on coastguard functions.

Parliament welcomed the conclusion of the legislative procedure and the adoption of the amending act at the end of 2016.