2005 discharge: EC general budget, European Data-protection Supervisor

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The committee adopted the report by Daniel CASPARY (EPP-ED , DE) granting discharge to the European Data Protection Supervisor for 2005. In its accompanying resolution, the committee noted that 2005 was the first year in which the EDPS was fully operational. It referred to the administrative cooperation agreement signed in 2004 with the Commission, Parliament and Council providing for assistance for the EDPS for a start-up period of 3 years, under which the Commission's Accounting Officer and Internal Auditor were appointed as the relevant officers for the EDPS, and noted that this agreement had been renewed for a further period of 3 years with effect from 16 January 2007. It also noted that the EDPS had decided to set up an internal control structure "appropriate to the institution's activities and requirements".

The report welcomed the decision by the EDPS and the assistant supervisor to publish, every year, a declaration of their economic and financial interests once their new website was completed. Lastly, it welcomed the fact that the EDPS was prepared to join the interinstitutional agreement on OLAF and encouraged him to take all necessary steps as soon as possible.