Basic information

2021/2134(DEC) DEC - Discharge procedure	Procedure completed
2020 discharge: European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) **Subject** 8.70.03.10 2020 discharge	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
CONT Budgetary Control	CHRISTOFOROU Lefteris (EPP)	28/07/2021
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Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
TRAN Transport and Tourism	FALCĂ Gheorghe (EPP)	11/10/2021

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Budget	HAHN Johannes

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
30/06/2021	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2021)0381	
14/09/2021	Committee referral announced in Parliament		

31/03/2022	Vote in committee		
07/04/2022	Committee report tabled for plenary	A9-0100/2022	
04/05/2022	Decision by Parliament	T9-0164/2022	Summary
04/05/2022	Debate in Parliament		
05/10/2022	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2021/2134(DEC)
Procedure type	DEC - Discharge procedure
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	CONT/9/06730

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE698.976	17/01/2022	
Committee opinion	TRAN	PE699.183	17/01/2022	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE704.735	02/03/2022	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A9-0100/2022	07/04/2022	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T9-0164/2022	04/05/2022	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Supplementary non-legislative basic document	06003/2022	16/02/2022	

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Non-legislative basic document	COM(2021)0381	30/06/2021	

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
CofA	Court of Auditors: opinion, report	N9-0044/2022 OJ C 439 29.10.2021, p. 0003	29/10/2021	

Additional information		
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Final act
Budget 2022/1770 OJ L 258 05.10.2022, p. 0320

2020 discharge: European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA)

2021/2134(DEC) - 04/05/2022 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament decided to **grant discharge** to the Executive Director of the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) for the financial year 2020 and to approve the closure of the accounts for that year.

Noting that the Court of Auditors has stated that it has obtained reasonable assurance that the Agency's annual accounts for the financial year 2020 are reliable and that the underlying transactions are legal and regular, Parliament adopted, by 559 votes to 73 with 11 abstentions, a resolution containing a series of recommendations which form an integral part of the discharge decision and which complement the general recommendations set out in the resolution on the performance, financial management and control of EU agencies.

Agency's financial statements

The Agency's final budget for the financial year 2020 was EUR 96 724 337.95 representing a slight decrease of 0.07 % compared to 2019.

Budgetary and financial management

The budget monitoring efforts during the financial year 2020 resulted in a budget implementation rate of 98.89 %, representing a slight decrease of 0.33 % compared to 2019 and a payment appropriations execution rate of 96.08 %, representing also a slight decrease of 0.36 %.

Other observations

Parliament also made a number of observations concerning performance, staff policy, conflicts of interest and Covid-19

In particular, it noted that:

- the Agency experienced some limitations on its planned activities in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic;

- on 31 December 2020, the establishment plan was 97.64 % fulfilled, with 207 officials and temporary agents appointed out of 212 officials and temporary agents authorised under the Union budget. The Agency should once again try to ensure gender balance in staff and senior management;

- the Agency reviewed its procedure and guidelines related to the identification and management of conflicts of interest of selection committee members. The new procedure was implemented in early 2020 and ensures a proper reporting and management of potential conflicts of interest and a fair and transparent recruitment process;

- the Agency was able to adapt quickly to the Covid-19 crisis and was able to continue providing its stakeholders with the range and quality of services they expect.