

Council of the European Union

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From:	Budget Committee
То:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Council recommendations on the discharge to be given to the executive agencies in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 2020
	– Adoption

 In accordance with Article 14(3) of Regulation (EC) No 58/2003<sup>1</sup> and the first paragraph of Article 66 of Regulation (EC) No 1653/2004<sup>2</sup>, the Council is required to draw up recommendations to the European Parliament on a discharge to be given to the executive agencies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Council Regulation (EC) No 58/2003 of 19 December 2002 laying down the statute for executive agencies to be entrusted with certain tasks in the management of Community programmes (OJ L 11, 16.1.2003, p. 1).

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Commission Regulation (EC) No 1653/2004 of 21 September 2004 on a standard financial regulation for the executive agencies pursuant to Council Regulation (EC) No 58/2003 (OJ L 297, 22.9.2004, p. 6).

- At their informal video conference on 21 January and their meeting on 25 January, the members of the <u>Budget Committee</u> examined the six specific annual reports<sup>3</sup> of the European Court of Auditors related to executive agencies, and reached an agreement on the draft texts as set out in the Addendum.
- 3. The <u>Budget Committee</u> advises the Permanent Representatives Committee to suggest that the Council:
  - adopt the draft recommendations as set out in the Addendum to this note; and
  - arrange for them to be forwarded to the European Parliament and approve the draft letter in the Annex to that effect.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> OJ C 439, 29.10.2021, p. 3.

## <u>ANNEX</u>

## DRAFT LETTER

from: President of the Council

to: President of the European Parliament

Dear President,

In accordance with Article 14(3) of Regulation (EC) No 58/2003<sup>1</sup> and the first paragraph of Article 66 of Regulation (EC) No 1653/2004<sup>2</sup>, I am forwarding under separate cover<sup>3</sup> the Council recommendations of 15 March 2022 on the discharge to be given to the executive agencies in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 2020.

[Complimentary close]

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