

Council of the European Union

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From:	Budget Committee
To:	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 2021
	– Adoption
	<ul> <li>Approval of a letter</li> </ul>

 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 its meetings on 13 and 19 January, and 2 February 2023, the <u>Budget Committee</u> examined the seven specific annual reports<sup>3</sup> of the European Court of Auditors related to executive agencies<sup>4</sup>, 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 412, 27.10.2022, p. 12.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Including the specific annual report related to the Consumers, Health, Agriculture and Food Executive Agency (Chafea) that ceased to exist on 31 March 2021. On 1 April 2021, Chafea's assets and liabilities were taken over by the newly created European Health and Digital Executive Agency (HaDEA).

## <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 14 March 2023 on the discharge to be given to the executive agencies in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 2021.

[Complimentary close]

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Doc. 6250/23 + ADD 1.