

Procedure file

Basic information

DEC - Discharge procedure	1996/2045(DEC)	Procedure completed
1994 discharge: European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions EFILWC budget (Dublin)		
Subject 8.70.03.07 Previous discharges		

Key players

European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	CONT Budgetary Control	PPE KELLETT-BOWMAN Edward T.	13/11/1995

Key events

11/03/1996	Non-legislative basic document published	04331/1996	Summary
19/03/1996	Vote in committee		Summary
19/03/1996	Committee report tabled for plenary	A4-0082/1996	
27/03/1996	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
16/04/1996	Debate in Parliament		
17/04/1996	Decision by Parliament	T4-0182/1996	Summary
17/04/1996	End of procedure in Parliament		
21/06/1996	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	CONT/4/07715

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Court of Auditors: opinion, report		N4-0565/1995	30/11/1995	CofA	
Non-legislative basic document		04331/1996	11/03/1996	CSL	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A4-0082/1996 OJ C 141 13.05.1996, p. 0005	19/03/1996	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T4-0182/1996 OJ C 141 13.05.1996, p. 0087-0126	17/04/1996	EP	Summary

Final act

[Decision 1996/379](#)
[OJ L 148 21.06.1996, p. 0054](#)

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In its recommendation the Council called on Parliament to give discharge to the Management Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training for the financial year 1994. It pointed out that according to the Foundation's revenue and expenditure account, the appropriations carried over from the 1993 financial year to the 1994 financial year, i.e. ECU 2 855 441.01 had been utilized at the rate of 89.3% (ECU 2 550 137.42) and that the appropriations carried over from the 1994 financial year to the 1995 financial year were ECU 2 060 861.72. The Council also included in its recommendation a certain number of comments based on the observations made by the Court of Auditors. In its report the Court had noted in particular that the Foundation still had to establish a certain number of procedures in order to conform to the Financial Regulation, namely: . virtually systematic use of payments of advances before receipt of the financial controller's visa, . carrying out of transfers between titles of the budget, . separation of the functions of accounting officers and authorizing officers, . growth in the size of the carry over of appropriations, calling into question respect for the principle of annuality and the under-utilization of these carry-overs the next year. The Council noted that the Foundation had already taken a certain number of steps to respond to the Court's observations. Nevertheless it recommended that during 1996 the Foundation should take action on the other observations. It pointed out that the transfers put forward by the Court were not excluded from the provisions in force. ?

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The Committee on Budgetary Control adopted the proposed decision on the Foundation for the improvement of living and working conditions in Dublin. While endorsing the Court of Auditor's criticism of the financial management of the Foundation during the 1994 financial year, the rapporteur noted that the Court had confined itself this year to a relatively simple audit; consequently, having made the necessary recommendations, he stated that he supported the decision to give discharge to the management board of the Foundation. ?

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In adopting the report by Mr KELLETT-BOWMAN (PPE, RU), Parliament noted the figures for the Foundation's accounts and recommended again the appointment of a part-time financial controller, working under the Commission, as a means of reducing the excessive recourse to imprest accounts. It believed that this reform could be applied to all the external agencies of the European Community and, on this basis, it gave discharge to the Foundation in respect of the implementation of its budget for the 1994 financial year. It called on the Management Board of the Foundation to respect the terms of its financial regulation in respect of transfers of appropriations and to review its policy on holding large cash balances (and in future to draw down a smaller subsidy from the Commission in a manner more closely related to its actual need to carry out expenditure). Parliament pointed out that it was essential to avoid overlap between the activities of the Foundation and those of the Commission and other Community bodies with closely related mandates. It noted with satisfaction that the Commission was willing to report to it, and to present proposals as appropriate, aimed at ensuring greater complementarity and cost-effectiveness. Finally, it looked forward to the definitive resolution of the long-standing difficulties relating to the ownership of the land occupied by the Foundation, and asked to be notified of the legal formalities for acquisition. ?