


Procedure file

Basic information		
DEC - Discharge procedure	1995/2042(DEC)	Procedure completed
1993 discharge: 5th EDF		
Subject 8.70.03.07 Previous discharges		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	CONT Budgetary Control		22/11/1994
		PSE WYNN Terence	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	DEVE Development and Cooperation		14/11/1994
		PSE NEEDLE Clive John	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	1835	20/03/1995

Key events			
20/03/1995	Non-legislative basic document published	05157/1995	
21/03/1995	Vote in committee		Summary
21/03/1995	Committee report tabled for plenary	A4-0060/1995	
03/04/1995	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
05/04/1995	Debate in Parliament		
05/04/1995	Decision by Parliament	T4-0146/1995	Summary
05/04/1995	End of procedure in Parliament		
24/06/1995	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1995/2042(DEC)
Procedure type	DEC - Discharge procedure
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 100
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway					
Document attached to the procedure		COM(1994)0365	05/08/1994	EC	
Non-legislative basic document		05157/1995	20/03/1995	CSL	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A4-0060/1995 OJ C 109 01.05.1995, p. 0005	21/03/1995	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T4-0146/1995 OJ C 109 01.05.1995, p. 0033-0075	05/04/1995	EP	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T4-0149/1995 OJ C 109 01.05.1995, p. 0033-0077	05/04/1995	EP	

Final act	
Decision 1995/225 OJ L 141 24.06.1995, p. 0079	

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The European Parliament granted the Commission discharge for the financial management of the fifth European Development Fund (EDF) for the 1993 financial year on the basis of annual expenditure of ECU 521,525,000 (annual income = ECU 0). At the same time, Parliament set out a series of observations on the financial management of the EDF in the 1993 financial year: thus it approved the concept of the European Development Funds as multilateral development funds, as an efficient and fair system for implementing long-term structural development aid, but found that the current provisions governing the funding of the EDF were incompatible with this system and that this state of affairs would continue until such time as the EDF were included in the budget. With regard to the implementation of the budget, the European Parliament was still worried about the rate of implementation of the EDF and called on the Commission to draft provisions so that appropriations for national or regional programmes not used within a specific period of time after their transfer could be reallocated to the following EDF. With regard to administration and management, the European Parliament called on the Commission to revise the financial regulations applicable to EDF in order to bring them more closely into line with the terms of implementation of the EDF. Any changes which the Commission made to the management and accounting systems of the EDF should be brought to Parliament's attention in the Court of Auditors' annual report. It also called for errors identified by the Court of Auditors in the 1993 EDF accounts to be corrected in the 1994 accounts. With regard to structural adjustment, Parliament stressed the importance of respecting the principle of democracy governing the granting of aid under the structural adjustment facility. It called for the Community to take all possible measures to rectify the serious social consequences of structural reform and for the Court of Auditors to include an evaluation of the results obtained with structural adjustment in its annual report. With regard to STABEX, the European Parliament expressed concern about its funding and called on the Commission to ensure that ACP countries honoured their commitments on mutual obligation frameworks and for an in-depth review of the modus operandi of STABEX in the context of the new EDF. Finally, with regard to the funding of United Nations operations by the EDF, Parliament again stressed that appropriations could only be used for objectives for which provision was made for the purpose in the Lomé Convention.