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Appointment of Sebastiano Laviola as a new member of the Single Resolution Board

European Parliament decision of 14 March 2019 on the proposal of the Commission for the appointment of a member of the Single Resolution Board (N8-0021/2019 — C8-0042/2019 — 2019/0901(NLE))

(Consent)

(2021/C 23/83)

The European Parliament,

— having regard to the Commission proposal of 30 January 2019 for the appointment of Sebastiano Laviola as member of the Single Resolution Board (N8-0021/2019),

— having regard to Article 56(6) of Regulation (EU) No 806/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2014 establishing uniform rules and a uniform procedure for the resolution of credit institutions and certain investment firms in the framework of a Single Resolution Mechanism and a Single Resolution Fund and amending Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 [1],

— having regard to Rule 122a of its Rules of Procedure,

— having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (A8-0148/2019),

A. whereas Article 56(4) of Regulation (EU) No 806/2014 provides that the members of the Single Resolution Board referred to in Article 43(1)(b) of the regulation are to be appointed on the basis of merit, skills, knowledge of banking and financial matters, and of experience relevant to financial supervision, regulation and bank resolution;

B. whereas despite the obligations set out under Article 56(4) of Regulation (EU) No 806/2014 and notwithstanding the numerous calls made by Parliament to respect gender balance when presenting a list of candidates, Parliament deplores that all candidates were men; whereas Parliament regrets that women continue to be underrepresented in executive positions in the field of banking and financial services and demands that this request is respected for the next nomination; whereas all EU and national institutions and bodies should implement concrete measures to ensure gender balance;

C. whereas in accordance with Article 56(6) of Regulation (EU) No 806/2014, on 7 December 2018 the Commission adopted a shortlist of candidates for the position of member of the Single Resolution Board referred to in Article 43(1)(b) of that regulation;

D. whereas in accordance with Article 56(6) of Regulation (EU) No 806/2014, the shortlist was transmitted to Parliament;

E. whereas on 30 January 2019, the Commission adopted a proposal to appoint Sebastiano Laviola as Member of the Board and Director of Resolution Policy Development and Coordination in the Single Resolution Board and transmitted that proposal to Parliament;

F. whereas its Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs then proceeded to evaluate the credentials of the proposed candidate for the functions of member of the Single Resolution Board, in particular in view of the requirements laid down in Article 56(4) of Regulation (EU) No 806/2014;

G. whereas, on 26 February 2019, the Committee held a hearing with Sebastiano Laviola, at which he made an opening statement and then responded to questions from the members of the Committee;

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[1] OJ L 225, 30.7.2014, p. 1.

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1. Approves the Commission's proposal for the appointment of Sebastiano Laviola as member of the Single Resolution Board for a period of five years;

2. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the European Council, the Council, the Commission and the governments of the Member States.