DECISION (EU) 2020/1984 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

of 13 May 2020

on discharge in respect of the implementation of the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2018, Section VI — European Economic and Social Committee

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT,

— having regard to the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2018 ([1]),

— having regard to the consolidated annual accounts of the European Union for the financial year 2018 (COM(2019) 316 — C9-0055/2019) ([2]),

— having regard to the European Economic and Social Committee's annual report to the discharge authority on internal audits carried out in 2018,

— having regard to the Court of Auditors' annual report on the implementation of the budget concerning the financial year 2018, together with the institutions' replies ([3]),

— having regard to the statement of assurance ([4]) as to the reliability of the accounts and the legality and regularity of the underlying transactions provided by the Court of Auditors for the financial year 2018, pursuant to Article 287 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

— having regard to Article 314(10) and Articles 317, 318 and 319 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

— having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 ([5]), and in particular Articles 55, 99, 164, 165 and 166 thereof,

— having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 ([6]), and in particular Articles 59, 118, 260, 261 and 262 thereof,

— having regard to Rule 100 of and Annex V to its Rules of Procedure,

— having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgetary Control (A9-0078/2020),

1. Postpones its decision on granting the Secretary-General of the European Economic and Social Committee discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the European Economic and Social Committee for the financial year 2018;

2. Sets out its observations in the resolution below;

3. Instructs its President to forward this decision and the resolution forming an integral part of it to the European Economic and Social Committee, the European Council, the Council, the Commission and the Court of Auditors, and to arrange for their publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union* (L series).

The President
David Maria SASSOLI

The Secretary-General
Klaus WELLE

([1]) OJ L 57, 28.2.2018.
([2]) OJ C 327, 30.9.2019, p. 1.
([3]) OJ C 340, 8.10.2019, p. 1.
([4]) OJ C 340, 8.10.2019, p. 9.
([5]) OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.
([6]) OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1.