DECISION (EU) 2017/1656 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

of 27 April 2017

on the closure of the accounts of the European Banking Authority for the financial year 2015

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT,

— having regard to the final annual accounts of the European Banking Authority for the financial year 2015,

— having regard to the Court of Auditors' report on the annual accounts of the European Banking Authority for the financial year 2015, together with the Authority's reply ([1]),

— having regard to the statement of assurance ([2]) 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 2015, pursuant to Article 287 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

— having regard to the Council's recommendation of 21 February 2017 on discharge to be given to the Authority in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 2015 (05873/2017 — C8-0072/2017),

— having regard to Article 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 ([3]), and in particular Article 208 thereof,

— having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Banking Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/78/EC ([4]), and in particular Article 64 thereof,

— having regard to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1271/2013 of 30 September 2013 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies referred to in Article 208 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council ([5]), and in particular Article 108 thereof,

— having regard to Rule 94 of and Annex IV to its Rules of Procedure,

— having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgetary Control and the opinion of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (A8-0079/2017),

1. Approves the closure of the accounts of the European Banking Authority for the financial year 2015;

2. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Executive Director of the European Banking Authority, the Council, the Commission and the Court of Auditors, and to arrange for its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union* (L series).

The President	*The Secretary-General*
Antonio TAJANI	Klaus WELLE

([1]) OJ C 449, 1.12.2016, p. 72.
([2]) See footnote 1.
([3]) OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.
([4]) OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 12.
([5]) OJ L 328, 7.12.2013, p. 42.