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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 87a(3) of the Rules of Procedure

on Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No .../... of 30 September 2013 on the model financial regulation for public-private partnership bodies referred to in Article 209 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council (C(2013)06284 – 2013/2863(DEA))

Committee on Budgets
Committee on Budgetary Control
(Rule 51)

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on behalf of the Committee on Budgets

Michael Theurer
on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control

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European Parliament resolution on Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No .../... of 30 September 2013 on the model financial regulation for public-private partnership bodies referred to in Article 209 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council (C(2013)06284 – 2013/2863(DEA))

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No .../.. of 30 September 2013 on the model financial regulation for public-private partnership bodies referred to in Article 209 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council (C(2013)06284) – 2013/2863(DEA),
 - having regard to Article 290 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 1605/2002¹, and in particular Article 210 thereof,
 - having regard to the motion for a resolution by the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on Budgetary Control,
 - having regard to Rule 87a(3) of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the model financial regulation for public-private partnership bodies (PPPs), as adopted by the Commission on 30 September 2013 in the form of a delegated act under Article 209 of the general Financial Regulation, provides that PPPs (including most of the current joint undertakings) will receive an indirect discharge, being subject to the Commission discharge procedure;
- B. whereas Parliament should not lose its prerogatives to grant discharge in line with current interpretation and practice, in particular its prerogative to grant discharge to each joint undertaking and/or PPP individually in order to preserve transparency and democratic accountability to Union taxpayers;
- C. whereas the Court of Auditors has expressed doubts about the proposal, as modifying such a substantial element may reduce the visibility and effectiveness of the audit work carried out in respect of these important bodies;
- D. whereas it has not been clarified what criteria are to be applied to define joint undertakings and PPPs;
1. Objects to the Commission Delegated Regulation of 30 September 2013 on the model financial regulation for public-private partnership bodies referred to in Article 209 of

¹ OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council
(C(2013)06284 – 2013/2863(DEA));

2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and to notify it that the delegated regulation cannot enter into force;
3. Calls on the Commission to reassess the discharge provisions for PPPs, and to present a legislative proposal and/or adopt an amended delegated act addressing the issue;
4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and to the governments and parliaments of the Member States.