

European Aviation Safety Agency

**OPINION OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD ON ANNUAL ACCOUNTS
FOR 2006**

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Having regard to regulation (EC) N°1592/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2002 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Aviation Safety Agency, as amended by Regulation (EC) N° 1643/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 July 2003,

Having regard to the European Aviation Safety Agency's Financial Regulation Articles 83, and 97 as adopted by decision 9/03 of the Management Board on 26 August 2003,

Having regard to the observations of the European Court of Auditors on the Agency's accounts 2006, forwarded to the Chairman of the Board by the President of the Court on 15 June 2007.

HAS DECIDED TO GIVE THE FOLLOWING OPINION:

The Management Board notes that the European Court of Auditors in its observations on the provisional accounts has made no reservation concerning the implementation of the European Aviation Safety Agency's annual budget for 2006. On the basis of the examination of the final accounts, presented to it on 13/06/2007 by the Executive Director, and on the basis of the Court's observations and the replies given to them by the Agency, the Management Board of the European Aviation Safety Agency has obtained sufficient assurance in order to conclude that the said accounts, taken as a whole, represent a true and fair view of the implementation of the European Aviation Safety Agency's budget and, in the opinion of the Management Board, properly reflect the activities undertaken by the European Aviation Safety Agency during 2006.

Done at Cologne in three copies, on 27 June 2007

THE CHAIRMAN
THILO SCHMIDT