

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 16.1

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Status : - **Members: Hjelm-Wallén and Lekberg**
 - **Alternates: Petersson and Kvist**

1. If action by the Union should prove necessary within the framework of the policies defined in Part Two to attain one of the objectives set by this Constitution, and the Constitution has not provided the necessary powers, the Council, acting unanimously on a proposal from the Commission and after ~~obtaining the assent of~~ **consulting**¹ the European Parliament, shall take the appropriate measures.

¹ The Member States are the masters of the Treaty. It is for them, after consulting national parliaments on subsidiarity, to decide unanimously in the Council if it is necessary to use the Flexibility Article. If the Council so decide, the European Parliament should not have the right to veto the decision.