

## AMENDMENT FORM

### Suggestion for amendment of Article 53, Part I of the Constitution

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#### **Article I-53: The Union's resources**

1.    The Union shall provide itself with the means necessary to attain its objectives and carry through its policies.
2.    Without prejudice to other revenue, the Union's budget shall be financed wholly from its own resources.
3.    ~~A European law of the Council shall lay down the limit of the Union's resources and may establish new categories of resources or abolish an existing category. That law shall not enter into force until it is approved by the Member States in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements. The Council shall act unanimously after consulting the European Parliament.~~
3.    **The Council, acting unanimously after consulting the European Parliament, shall adopt a European law relating to the Union's own resources, which it shall recommend to the Member States for adoption in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements. The European law shall enter into force after its adoption by the Member States.**
4.    A European law of the Council shall lay down the detailed arrangements relating to the Union's resources. The Council shall act after obtaining the consent of the Parliament.

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#### **Explanation (if any) :**

Finland does not support the introduction of an EU tax, which would be possible according to the proposed text. In addition, it should be noted that there is no need to refer specifically to the

establishment of new categories of resources, nor to the abolishment of existing ones at the Treaty level. Therefore, it would be appropriate to modify Article 53 so that it would follow more closely the present Article 269 TEC.