

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 15

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Status: Alternate

Article 15 : The European Parliament

1. The European Parliament shall, jointly with the Council, enact legislation, as well as exercise functions of political control and consultation as laid down in the Constitution. It shall elect the President of the European Commission.
 2. The European Parliament shall be directly elected by universal suffrage of European citizens in free and secret ballot for a term of five years. Its members shall not exceed seven hundred in number. Representation of European citizens shall be degressively proportional, ~~with and a~~ minimum threshold of four members per Member State.
 3. The European Parliament shall elect its President and its officers from among its members, ~~for a term of five years.~~
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Explanation (if any):

It should be made clear, that first each Member State is guaranteed four seats and that only the than remaining seats are attributed degressively proportional. Present formula could mean that the four seats are the only degressive element and all the other seats are attributed by a pure proportional system.