

AMENDMENT FORM

**Suggestion for amendment of Article: 18: The European Commission**

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**Status : - Alternate**

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**Article 18 : The European Commission**

1. The European Commission shall safeguard the general European interest. It shall ensure the application of the Constitution, and steps taken by the institutions under the Constitution. It shall also exercise coordinating, executive and management functions as laid down in the Constitution.
2. Union acts can be adopted on the basis of a proposal by either the Commission or the European Parliament.
3. The Commission shall consist of a President and as many members as deemed necessary by the President with the approval of the European Parliament.
4. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Commission shall be completely independent. In the discharge of their duties members of the Commission shall neither seek nor take instructions from any government or other body. The Commission or individual Commissioners may be dismissed by majority vote in the European Parliament.

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**Explanation (if any):**