

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 18

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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. Except where the Constitution provides otherwise, Union acts can be adopted only on the basis of a Commission proposal.
3. The Commission shall consist of a President and up to fourteen other members. It may call on the help of Associate Commissioners.
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.
5. Any member of the Commission shall resign, if the Court of Justice, at the request of the European Parliament or of the European Council, states on his violation of obligations laid down in this Constitution. The resignation of the President of the Commission shall imply the resignation of the Commission as a whole.
6. In case of the resignation of a member of the Commission, the Member State which had originally submitted his candidature, shall submit a new list of persons to the President of the Commission. The new member of the Commission is nominated by the President of the Commission after approval by the European Parliament.