

AMENDMENT FORM

Title IV

Suggestion for amendment of Article 18 a

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Add a new sentence at the end of the paragraph 5:

Once an Associated Commissioner is confirmed by a vote of the European Parliament, he/she has the right to vote within the Commission as the full fledged commissioners do.

Explanation:

This is a compromise solution. In this way the number of the commissioners will remain limited to the real needs but, at the same time, the associated commissioner will be able to exercise a real role in shaping the general policy of the Commission. The application of this clause could be limited to the new member states and only for a five years time.