

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : Article 22

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Article 22 : The Court of Auditors

1. The Court of Auditors shall carry out the audit.
2. It shall examine the accounts of all Union revenue and expenditure, and shall ensure good financial management.
3. It shall consist of one national of each Member State. In the performance of their duties, its members shall be completely independent.

New 4. Its assent is required at the close of every financial year to allow the continuation of the funding of non-essential programmes under the Communities budget.

Explanation (if any) : The Court of Auditors is currently powerless. This amendment allows the Court of Auditors to suspend budget lines subject to fraud. Essential expenditure, such as rent and pay, would continue in the interim.