

FICHE AMENDEMENT 8

Proposition d'amendement à l'Article : Artículo 22

Déposée par Messieurs : Borrell (miembro), Carnero y López Garrido (suplentes)

Artículo 22: El Tribunal de Cuentas

Añadir al punto 3:

3. Estará compuesto por un nacional de cada Estado miembro. *El Consejo someterá una propuesta al Parlamento Europeo, que lo nombrará por mayoría de sus miembros.* Los miembros del Tribunal ejercerán sus funciones con plena independencia.

Explication éventuelle :

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article :

Suggestion for protocol :

By Ms / Mr :

Status : - Member - Alternate

PART I OF THE CONSTITUTION

TITLE IV: The Union's Institutions

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. **IT SHALL HAVE ACCESS TO ANY DOCUMENT CONCERNING AN ACTIVITY PARTLY OR WHOLLY FINANCED BY THE EU.**
3. It shall consist of one national of each Member State. In the performance of their duties, its members shall be completely independent. **THE COURT OF AUDITORS MAY ITSELF BE CONTROLLED BY THE NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS AND THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEES.**

Explanation (if any) :

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 22(3)

Suggestion for protocol :

By Ms / Mr : Linda McAvan

Status : - Member - Alternate

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 **9 Members**. In the performance of their duties, its members shall be completely independent.

Explanation (if any) : The Court of Auditors should consist of a fixed number of Members rather than one per Member State. Having 25 to 27 more Members of the Court means that there will be more staff in its Member's cabinets than in the services.

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 22

By Ms / ~~Mr~~ : Dr. Sylvia-Yvonne Kaufmann

Status : - Member ~~Alternate~~

Artikel 22: Der Rechnungshof der Europäischen Union

- (1) Der Rechnungshof nimmt die Rechnungsprüfung wahr.
 - (2) Er prüft die Rechnung über alle Einnahmen und Ausgaben der Union *und ihrer Einrichtungen. Dazu prüft er die Rechtmäßigkeit und die Ordnungsmäßigkeit dieser Einnahmen und Ausgaben* und überzeugt sich von der Wirtschaftlichkeit der Haushaltsführung.
 - (3) Der Rechnungshof besteht aus einem Staatsangehörigen je Mitgliedstaat. Seine Mitglieder üben ihre Aufgaben in voller Unabhängigkeit aus.
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Explanation (if any) :

Absatz 2:

Vgl. Art. 248 Abs. 1 Uabs. 1 EG-Vertrag (auch Einrichtungen).

Vgl. Art. 248 Abs. 2 Uabs. 1 EG-Vertrag: Die Überzeugung von der Wirtschaftlichkeit der Haushaltsführung ist Teil der Rechnungsprüfung, die zudem die Prüfung der Rechtmäßigkeit und Ordnungsmäßigkeit der Einnahmen und Ausgaben umfaßt.

FICHE AMENDEMENT

Titre IV

Proposition d'amendement à l'Article : Artigo 22.º

Déposée par Monsieur Luís Queiró

Qualité: Suppléant

(Suprimir o n.º 1 do presente Artigo)

2. O Tribunal de Contas examina as contas, apreciando a legalidade e regularidade da totalidade das receitas e despesas da União e de qualquer organismo ou agência por esta criado, e garantindo a boa gestão financeira.

3. O Tribunal de Contas é composto por um cidadão de cada Estado-Membro. Os seus membros exercem o seu mandato com total independência e no interesse geral da União. Aplica-se aos juízes, devidamente adaptado, o Estatuto dos juízes e advogados-gerais.

4. (novo) Os juízes do Tribunal de Contas são nomeados pelo Conselho, deliberando por unanimidade, por um período de nove anos, não renovável.

5. (novo) O Presidente do Tribunal de Contas é escolhido pelos seus pares, para um mandato de três anos.

Explication éventuelle :

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 22

By Mrs Lena Hjelm-Wallén and Mr Sven-Olof Petersson, government representatives, and Mr Sören Lekberg, national parliament representative.

Status : - Member: Hjelm-Wallén and Lekberg
 - Alternate: Petersson

Article 22 : The Court of Auditors

1. The Court of Auditors shall carry out ~~the~~ **financial and performance** audit.¹
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.~~² **The European Union Audit Office shall have legal personality. It shall be managed and directed by a Board of Auditors General and supervised by a Governing Committee.**
4. **The Governing Committee shall consist of one representative nominated by each Member State. The Committee shall be responsible for the approval of the Office's annual business plan and annual activity report. The Committee shall act by qualified majority.**
5. **The Board of Auditors General shall consist of nine (9) members, appointed by the Council for a term of six years and drawn from the Member States on a rotational basis decided by the Council. The Council shall appoint one member to be President of the Board of Auditors General for a term of three years. For these purposes the Council shall act by a qualified majority, after consulting the European Parliament.**
6. **The Board shall be responsible for the business of the Office under the authority of the President. It shall also be responsible for preparation of the annual business plan and annual activity report for the approval of the Governing Committee, and for the appointment of senior officials.**
7. **Members of the Board of Auditors General shall be chosen among persons who belong or have belonged to external audit bodies or who are especially qualified for the office.**

¹ To make the task of the Court of Auditors more clear.

² We propose a complete new text on the Court of Auditors, either to be placed here or in Part II of the Constitution. Our proposal aims at reforming the European Court of Auditors (ECA) in order to make it a more effective institution. The current structure is not designed for operational or management convenience, nor does it maximise efficiency. The current operational and management constraints will become more acute with the accession of at least 10 new Members. Therefore we propose to replace the large Court with:

- I. a nine member Board of Auditors General, made up from Member States on a rotational basis, with an executive President at its head; and
- II. a Governing Committee, with a representative from each Member State to elect the President and agree the annual business plan.

Their independence must be beyond doubt, they shall neither seek nor take instructions from any Government or from any other body and they must refrain from any action incompatible with their duties.

- 8. The Members of the Board of Auditors General may not, during their term of office, engage in any other occupation, whether gainful or not. When entering upon their duties they shall give solemn undertaking that, both during and after their term of office, they will respect the obligations arising there from and in particular their duty to behave with integrity and discretion as regard the acceptance, after they have ceased to hold office, of certain apportionments or benefits.**
- 9. Apart from normal replacement, or death, the duties of a Member of the Board of Auditors General shall end when he resigns, or is compulsorily retired by a ruling of the Court of Justice pursuant to paragraph 8. The vacancy thus caused shall be filled for the remainder of the Member's term of office by the Council. Save in the case of compulsory retirement, Members of the Board of Auditors General shall remain in office until they have been replaced.**
- 10. A Member of the Board of Auditors General may be deprived of his office or of his right to a pension or other benefits in its stead only if the Court of Justice, at the request of the Board of Auditors General, finds that he no longer fulfils the requisite conditions or meets the obligations arising from his office.**
- 11. The Council shall determine the conditions of employment of the President and members of the Board of Auditors General and any allowances paid to members of the Governing Committee.**
- 12. The provisions of the Protocol on the privileges and immunities of the European Communities applicable to the Judges of the Court of Justice shall also apply to Members of the Board of Auditors General.**

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article: 22
By Mr: Erwin Teufel
Status: Member

Text of the Praesidium

Proposed Amendment

- (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.

Explanation:

Paragraph 3

Remark:

The working capacity of a Court of Auditors consisting of 25 members cannot be guaranteed. In co-operation with the Court of Auditors a turnover-system should be created under which every Member State will provide a member of the Court of Auditors in regular intervals.

FICHE AMENDEMENT

Proposition d'amendement à l'Article:	22
Déposée par Monsieur:	Erwin Teufel
Qualité:	Membre

Texte du Praesidium

Amendement proposé

- (1) Der Rechnungshof nimmt die Rechnungsprüfung wahr.
 - (2) Er prüft die Rechnung über alle Einnahmen und Ausgaben der Union und überzeugt sich von der Wirtschaftlichkeit der Haushaltsführung.
 - (3) Der Rechnungshof besteht aus einem Staatsangehörigen je Mitgliedstaat. Seine Mitglieder üben ihre Aufgaben in voller Unabhängigkeit aus.
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Begründung:

Abs. 3

Anmerkung:

Die Arbeitsfähigkeit des Rechnungshofes ist nach dortiger Auffassung bei 25 Mitgliedern in Frage gestellt. Es sollte in Zusammenarbeit mit dem Rechnungshof ein rollierendes System geschaffen werden, in dem jeder Mitgliedstaat in regelmäßigen Abständen ein Mitglied des Rechnungshofes stellt.

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : Article 22

Suggestion for protocol :

By Ms / Mr : David Heathcoat-Amory

Status : X - Member - Alternate

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.

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 22: The Court of Auditors

By : Mr Dick Roche, Member ; Mr Pat Carey and Mr Bobby McDonagh, Alternates

Article 22 : The Court of Auditors

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3. It shall consist of one national of each Member State. In the performance of their duties, its members shall be completely independent.

Explanation (if any) :

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : IV 22

Suggestion for protocol :

By: **Mr Caspar EINEM**

Status : **Member**

Artikel 22: Der Rechnungshof

(1) Der Rechnungshof nimmt die Rechnungsprüfung wahr.

(2) Er prüft die Rechnung über alle Einnahmen und Ausgaben der Union und überzeugt sich von der Wirtschaftlichkeit der Haushaltsführung.

(3) Der Rechnungshof besteht aus einem Staatsangehörigen je Mitgliedstaat, **die die Voraussetzungen des Artikels XY des Teils II dieser Verfassung erfüllen.** Seine Mitglieder üben ihre Aufgaben in voller Unabhängigkeit aus.

(4) **Die Mitglieder werden auf die Dauer von fünf Jahren ernannt. Der Rat nimmt die gemäß den Vorschlägen der Mitgliedstaaten erstellte Liste der Mitglieder nach Zustimmung des Europäischen Parlaments mit qualifizierter Mehrheit an. Wiederernennung der Mitglieder des Rechnungshofes ist zulässig.**

Explanation (if any) :

Zu Abs. (3): Es erscheint zweckmäßig auch hier – wie in Artikel 20 Abs. 2 – eine Hinweis auf Teil II der Verfassung einzufügen, um auch für die Mitglieder des Rechnungshofes Mindestqualifikationen fest zu legen.

Zu Abs. (4): Die Ergänzung dient der Vervollständigung der Bestimmungen (vgl. ebenfalls Artikel 20)

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 22

By Mr Barnier, Mr Vitorino, Mr O'Sullivan and Mr Ponzano:

Status : Members and Alternates

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.
4. **The rules concerning the appointment of the members of the Court of Auditors and concerning the operating methods of the Court are set out in articles X to Y of Part II.**

Explanation :

Since the proposed article takes only a few elements from the present provisions on the Court of Auditors (Articles 246 to 248 EC), a reference should be made to Part II of the Constitution.

FICHE AMENDEMENT

Proposition d'amendement à l'Article 22

Déposée par M. Barnier, M. Vitorino, M. O'Sullivan et M. Ponzano

Qualité : Membres et Suppléants

Article 22 : La Cour des comptes

1. La Cour des comptes assure le contrôle des comptes.
 2. Elle examine les comptes de la totalité des recettes et dépenses de l'Union et s'assure de la bonne gestion financière.
 3. Elle est composée d'un national de chaque État membre. Ses membres exercent leurs fonctions en pleine indépendance.
 4. **Les règles relatives à la désignation des membres de la Cour des comptes et aux modalités de fonctionnement de la Cour sont définies aux Articles X à Y de la Partie II.**
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Explication :

Comme l'article proposé ne reprend que quelques éléments des actuelles dispositions sur la Cour des comptes (articles 246 à 248 CE) il convient de faire une référence à la Partie II de la Constitution.

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 22

By Mr : Joschka Fischer

Status : - Member

Artikel 22: Der Rechnungshof

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 - (2) Er prüft die Rechnung über alle Einnahmen und Ausgaben der Union und überzeugt sich von der Wirtschaftlichkeit der Haushaltsführung.
 - (3) Der Rechnungshof besteht aus einem Staatsangehörigen je Mitgliedstaat. Seine Mitglieder üben ihre Aufgaben in voller Unabhängigkeit aus.
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Explanation (if any) :

Anmerkung zu Absatz 3: Um eine effiziente Arbeitsweise des Rechnungshofs auch nach der Erweiterung zu sichern, sollte die Anzahl der Mitglieder verringert werden. Als Modell wäre denkbar:

- **Die Einrichtung eines Lenkungsausschusses, der aus einem Vertreter je Mitgliedstaat besteht;**
- **Sowie einem Vorstand von neun Mitgliedern, die vom Rat auf sechs Jahre aus den Mitgliedstaaten auf Rotationsbasis nach Anhörung des Europäischen Parlaments mit qualifizierter Mehrheit bestimmt werden.**

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 22, Title IV, Part I

Suggestion for protocol :

By Ms / Mr : Hain

Status : - Member

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3. It shall be managed and directed by a Board of Auditors General, consisting of nine members appointed by the Council for a term of six years, and supervised by a Governing Committee of representatives of the Member States. Members of the Board shall be chosen from among persons who belong or have belonged to external audit bodies or who are especially qualified for the office. It shall consist of one national of each Member State. In the performance of their duties, ~~its members~~ they shall be completely independent.

Explanation (if any) :

Article 22.3 The UK will this week submit a paper setting out our proposals for reform of the European Court of Auditors. The suggested amendments to the article reflect this paper and the text it proposes for the ECA article in Part 2 (old article 247).

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 22

By : TIMOTHY KIRKHOPE MEP

Status : MEMBER

PRAESIDIUM	TIMOTHY KIRKHOPE MEP
<p>Article 22 : The Court of Auditors</p> <p>1. The Court of Auditors shall carry out the audit.</p> <p>2. It shall examine the accounts of all Union revenue and expenditure, and shall ensure good financial management.</p> <p>3. It shall consist of one national of each Member State. In the performance of their duties, its members shall be completely independent.</p>	<p>Article 22 : The Court of Auditors</p> <p>1. The Court of Auditors shall carry out the audit.</p> <p>2. It shall examine the accounts of all <u>Community</u> revenue and expenditure, and shall ensure good financial management.</p> <p>3. It shall consist of one national of each Member State <u>who has performed a similar function in that Member State</u>. In the performance of their duties, its members shall be completely independent.</p> <p>Explanation: In Britain, an appropriate institution for candidates to come from would be the National Audit Office.</p>

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of: PART I OF THE CONSTITUTION, TITLE IV: The Union's Institutions, Article 22 : The Court of Auditors

By Ms / Mr : BROK; SANTER; STYLIANIDIS; TAJANI; TEUFEL; VAN DER LINDEN; ALTMAIER; AZEVEDO; BASILE; BREJC; CUSHNAHAN; DEMETRIOU; DOLORES; FOGLER; FREND; GIANNAKOU; KARINS ; KAUPPI; KELEMEN; KORHONEN; KRASTS; KROUPA; LAMASSOURE; LENNMARKER; LEQUILLER; LIEPINA; MAJ-WEGGEN; MLADENOV; PIKS; RACK; VAN DIJK; WITTBRODT; WÜRMELING; ZIELENIEC; ZILE

Status : - Member - Alternate

Suggestion

TITLE IV: The Union's Institutions

Article 22 : The Court of Auditors

1. The Court of Auditors shall carry out the audit *of the Union*.
 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.
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Explanation (if any) :

Self-explanatory

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 22b
Suggestion for Part I

By Mr : Vytenis Povilas Andriukaitis, Gintautas Šivickas

Status : Member, alternate

Article 22b: The Public Prosecutor's Office of the European Union

- 1. The European Council acting unanimously and after obtaining the assent of the European Parliament, may establish a Public Prosecutor's Office of the European Union.**
- 2. The Public Prosecutor's Office of the European Union shall be empowered to combat crimes having cross-border dimension, as well as illegal activities affecting the interests of several Member States or the financial interests of the Union. It shall exercise the functions of prosecutor in the competent courts of the Member States in relation to such crimes.**

Explanation (if any) :

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 22a
Suggestion for Part I

By Mr : Vytenis Povilas Andriukaitis, Algirdas Gricius, Gintautas Šivickas, Eugenijus Maldeikis

Status : Member, member, alternate, alternate

Article 22a: The Ombudsperson of the European Union

- 1. The Ombudsperson of the European Union shall be appointed by the European Parliament by a majority of its members. The Ombudsperson's term of office shall be five years, renewable.**
- 2. The Ombudsperson shall receive complaints from any citizen of the Union or any natural or legal person residing or having its registered office in a Member State on maladministration of the Union institutions or bodies, with the exception of the Court of Justice and the High Court acting in their judicial role. The Ombudsperson shall conduct inquiries and report to the European parliament and the institution concerned.**
- 3. The Ombudsperson shall submit an annual report on the outcome of his or her inquiries to the European Parliament and the parliaments of the Member States.**

Explanation (if any) :

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : I-30

By Mr : Hain

Status : - Member

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 be managed and directed by a Board of Auditors General, consisting of nine members appointed by the Council for a term of six years, and supervised by a Governing Committee of representatives of the Member States. Members of the Board shall be chosen from among persons who belong or have belonged to external audit bodies or who are especially qualified for the office. It shall consist of one national of each Member State. In the performance of their duties, its members shall be completely independent. ~~It shall consist of one national of each Member State. In the performance of their duties, its members shall be completely independent.~~
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Explanation (if any) :

These comments reflect our recent paper on the Court of Auditors.

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : I 30

Suggestion for protocol :

By:

**Mr. Caspar EINEM
Mr. Vytenis ANDRIUKAITIS
Mr. Alberto COSTA**

Status : Member

By:

Ms. Maria BERGER

Status : Alternate

Article 30 Common security and defence policy

(7) Until such time as the European Council has acted in accordance with paragraph 2 of this Article, ~~closer cooperation shall be established, in the Union framework, as regards mutual defence. Under this cooperation, and if one of the participating Member States participating in such cooperation~~ is the victim of armed aggression on its territory, **in the first instance the Union will, over request of the attacked Member State, use all available means to repel the aggression. Over request of the Union the Member States will support any action according to their constitutional, economic and technical abilities, until the aggression is repelled. The security council of the United Nations is immediately informed about such an aggression, asked for assistance by the United Nations and kept informed about any actions. the other participating States shall give it aid and assistance by all the means in their power, military and other, in accordance with Article 51 of the United Nations Charter. The detailed arrangements for participation in this cooperation and its operation, and the relevant decision-making procedures, are set out in Article 21 of Part Two, Title B, of the Constitution.**

Explanation (if any) :

The idea is to start with a concept of practical solidarity in the case of an aggression against one member-state of the Union. The Union should in a case like that be obliged to do what the Union can do on the basis of voluntary offers of the member-states, which can do so, taking into account their respective constitutional, economic and military possibilities.

A solution like this should allow participation of non aligned or neutral states in the build up of a european defence policy.

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : I 30

Suggestion for protocol :

By:

Mr. Caspar EINEM
Mr. Vytenis ANDRIUKAITIS
Mr. Alberto COSTA

Status : Member

By:

Ms. Maria BERGER

Status : Alternate

Artikel 30

Die Gemeinsame Sicherheits- und Verteidigungspolitik

(7) Solange kein Beschluss des Rates gemäß Absatz 2 ergangen ist, ~~wird im Rahmen der Union eine engere Zusammenarbeit im Bereich der gegenseitigen Verteidigung aufgenommen. Im Rahmen dieser Zusammenarbeit leisten~~ wird die Union im Falle eines bewaffneten Angriffs auf das Hoheitsgebiet eines ~~an dieser Zusammenarbeit beteiligten~~ **Mitgliedstaates zunächst über Ersuchen des angegriffenen Mitgliedstaates alle ihr zur Verfügung stehenden Mittel anwenden, um die Aggression abzuwehren. Über Ersuchen der Union werden die Mitgliedstaaten die getroffenen Maßnahmen im Rahmen ihrer verfassungsrechtlichen, wirtschaftlichen und technischen Möglichkeiten so lange unterstützen, bis die Aggression abgewehrt ist. Der Sicherheitsrat der Vereinten Nationen wird sofort von jeder derartigen Aggression unterrichtet, zur Beistandsleistung durch die Vereinten Nationen aufgefordert und über die getroffenen Maßnahmen auf dem laufenden gehalten.** ~~die anderen beteiligten Staaten alle in ihrer Macht stehende militärische und sonstige Hilfe und Unterstützung gemäß Artikel 51 der Charta der Vereinten Nationen. Die Teilnahmemodalitäten und die praktischen Modalitäten sowie die dieser Zusammenarbeit eigenen Beschlussfassungsverfahren sind in Teil II Titel B Artikel 21 der Verfassung verankert.~~

Explanation (if any) :

Zu Abs. (11): Die Entwicklung eines Systems gegenseitigen Beistandes innerhalb der EU für den Fall eines Angriffs verstellt den Weg hin zu einer gemeinsamen (vergemeinschafteten) Verteidigung. Im übrigen wirft es Probleme im Verhältnis der in dieses System integrierten und der nicht integrierten Staaten im Anlassfall auf. Auf der anderen Seite ist eine gemeinsame Verteidigungspolitik der Union im Artikel I 30 Absatz 2 ausdrücklich vorgesehen und bedarf lediglich zu ihrer Einsetzung eines einstimmigen Ratsbeschlusses. Als Vorstufe und Hinführung zu diesem allseits gewünschten Endzustand sollte ein solches System bereits jetzt auf freiwilliger Basis etabliert werden, wobei die Union den Vorrang, noch nicht aber das Monopol einer solchen

Verteidigung hätte und die Mitgliedsländer ihre freiwillige Mithilfe nach Maßgabe ihrer eigenen verfassungsrechtlichen, wirtschaftlichen und technischen Möglichkeiten selbst bestimmen können. Ein organisches Wachstum hin zum Vollausbau der ESVP wäre dadurch gewährleistet, neutrale Mitgliedstaaten könnten daran ohne Gefährdung der eigenen Neutralität mitwirken, und auch dies nur im Rahmen ihrer eigenen wirtschaftlichen und technischen Möglichkeiten. Der Artikel II 21 könnte antragsgemäß entfallen.