

## AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article :43 (part 3)

Suggestion for protocol :

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### Article 43: Criteria to be eligible for Union membership

The Union shall be open to all European States (*whose peoples*) **which** share the values referred to in Article 2, and who respect them and are committed to promoting them together (*Accession to the Union implies acceptance of its Constitution.*) **under their respective terms of accession.**

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### Explanation (if any) :

The first amendment is required, because any treaty is about states and not “peoples” – how can one determine whether a “people” respect and promote values?

The second changes the text in the spirit of the rest of Title X, so that applicant states can elect to negotiate opt-outs if they so choose.