

AMENDMENT FORM

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Suggestion for amendment of Article III-29

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Article III-29 (ex Article 52)

1. A European framework law shall establish the measures in order to achieve the liberalisation of a specific service. It shall be adopted after consultation of the Economic and Social Committee.

2. As regards the European framework law referred to in paragraph 1, priority shall as a general rule be given to those services which directly affect production costs or the liberalisation of which helps to promote trade in goods.

3 The provisions of Article III-18 as regards social security shall apply to the matters covered by this subsection.

Explanation (if any) :

The legal base for measures concerning the co-ordination of social security schemes have to be harmonized as regards the procedure for adoption of such measures. In practice it is not possible to distinguish between the various groups of persons affected (workers, self-employed, non active European citizens), so that always the most strict procedure has to apply to all groups. Austria is willing to accept the principle of QMV for this field. To this end a new para. 3 shall be added.