

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article III – 52.2

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Status : - Member

Redraft as follows:

Having regard to the provisions of Article III-3, undertakings entrusted with the operation of services of general economic **and social** interest or having the character of a revenue-producing monopoly shall be subject to the provisions of the Constitution, in particular to the rules of competition, in so far as the application of such rules **are consistent with the achievement of the Unions objectives set out in Article I-3 and** does not obstruct the performance, in law or in fact, of the particular tasks assigned to them. The development of **cross-border** trade must not be affected to such an extent as would be contrary to the Union's interests.

Explanation (if any) :

This amendment is linked to my proposed amendment to Article III-3, which sets out clear principles applicable to services of general interest. It seeks to clarify the legal standing of SGIs and the extent to which competition rules may apply consistent with the overall objectives of the Union