

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 85 quarter

Suggestion for Part: III

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1. Without prejudice to article I-12(2)~~In order to secure the euro's place in the international monetary system~~, Member States which are members of the Eurozone shall coordinate their action among themselves and with the Commission with a view to adopting common positions on those issues where the Union has a single competence within the competent international financial institutions and conferences. They shall defend and promote those common positions.

Where appropriate, the European Central Bank, without prejudice to its independence, shall be fully associated with that coordination.

Without prejudice to Union competence and Union agreements as regards the economic and monetary Union, Member States may negotiate in international bodies and conclude international agreements.

Explanation (if any):

The proposed text infringes on national competences. In the current Treaty there are several safeguards for Member States to defend those competences in international relations (especially ex Article 111). These safeguards should be maintained.