

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 167

Suggestion for Part: III

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1. A European framework law may establish minimum rules concerning the definition of criminal offences and sanctions in the areas of particularly serious crime, committed by organised groups or otherwise, with cross-border dimensions resulting from the nature of impact of such offences or from a special need to combat them on a common basis. The Council shall act unanimously, after consulting the European Parliament.

These areas of crime are the following: terrorism, trafficking in human beings and sexual exploitation of women and children, illicit drug trafficking, illicit arms trafficking, money laundering, corruption, counterfeiting of means of payment, and computer crime ~~and organised crime~~.

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2. If the approximation of criminal legislation proves essential to ensure the effective implementation of a Union policy in an area which has been subject to harmonisation measures, a European framework decision may establish minimum rules with regard to the definition of criminal offences and sanctions in the area concerned. The Council shall act unanimously, after consulting the European Parliament.

~~Without prejudice to Article [III 160], that framework law shall be adopted by the same procedure as was followed for the adoption of the harmonisation measures referred to in the preceding subparagraph.~~