

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 23

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Status : Members and alternate members.

Article 23: [Operations on the territory of another Member State]

The *Union* shall adopt laws and framework laws laying down the conditions and limitations under which the competent authorities of the Member States referred to in Articles 13 and 15 may operate in the territory of another Member State in liaison and in agreement with the authorities of that State. *The Council shall act by enhanced qualified majority.*

Explanation:

There is no justification for the adoption of laws outside the legislative procedure, but the Council may wish to reserve the higher threshold of enhanced QMV in this sensitive case.