

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : Chapter 2, Article 24

Suggestion for protocol :

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Status : - Alternate

CHAPTER 2: COMMON COMMERCIAL POLICY

Article 24 - Add New Paragraph 1bis

Ibis. In exercising the powers conferred upon it by this Article, the Council shall act by a qualified majority. The European Parliament's assent shall be required for the conclusion of all significant agreements entered into under the terms of this Article.

Article 24 - Paragraph 3

3. Where agreements with one or more States or international organisations need to be negotiated, the relevant provisions of Article 33 of this Title shall apply. The Commission shall make recommendations to the Council, which shall authorise the Commission to open the necessary negotiations ***after consulting the European Parliament***. The Council and the Commission shall be responsible for ensuring that the agreements negotiated are compatible with internal Union policies and rules.

Explanation (if any) :