

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 247, Part III

Suggestion for protocol :

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Status : - Member and Alternate

1. Apart from normal replacement, or death, the duties of a European Commissioner ~~or Commissioner~~ shall end when he resigns or is compulsorily retired. A European Commissioner ~~or Commissioner~~ shall resign if the President so requests.

2. A vacancy caused by resignation, compulsory retirement or death shall be filled for the remainder of the European Commissioner's ~~or Commissioner's~~ term of office by a new European Commissioner ~~or Commissioner~~ appointed by the President of the Commission according to the same procedures.

3. In the event of resignation, compulsory retirement or death, the President shall be replaced for the remainder of his term of office. The procedure laid down in Article I-26(1) shall be applicable for the replacement of the President.

4. In the case of the resignation of all European Commissioners ~~and Commissioners~~, they shall remain in office until they have been replaced, for the remainder of their term of office, in accordance with the procedures laid down in Articles I-25 and I-26.

Explanation (if any) :

In accordance with our proposal on article 25, Part I, we consider that the college should comprise the President, the voting and non-voting Commissioners. Thus, being the possibility of participation in the voting the main difference between them, they should all be called equally.