

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of : Article 224a (Judicial Appointments Panel)

By Mr Roche

Status : - Member

A panel shall be set up in order to give an opinion on candidates' suitability to perform the duties of Judge and Advocate-General of the Court of Justice and the High Court before the governments of the Member States take the decisions referred to in Articles 223 and 224.

~~The panel shall comprise seven persons chosen from among former members of the Court of Justice and the High Court, members of national supreme courts and lawyers of recognised competence, one of whom shall be proposed by the European Parliament.~~ **Arrangements in relation to t**
composition of the panel, the appointment of **its** members ~~of the panel~~ and ~~the panel's~~ **its** operating rules shall be decided by the Council, acting by a qualified majority, on a proposal from the President of the Court of Justice.

Explanation (if any) : I do not believe that it is necessary in the Constitutional Treaty to enter into the level of detail proposed in regard to the composition of the panel. This is a matter which can be left to the Council., acting on a proposal from the President of the Court of Justice.