

## AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of: **PART THREE: GENERAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS**

### **Article G: Adoption, ratification and entry into force of the Constitutional Treaty**

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on behalf of the EPP Convention Group

Status: Members and Alternates

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*Text of the Praesidium*

*Proposed Amendments*

#### **Article G: Adoption, ratification and entry into force of the Constitutional Treaty**

The Constitutional Treaty shall be ratified by the High Contracting Parties in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements. The instruments of ratification shall be deposited with the Government of the Italian Republic.

2. The Constitutional Treaty shall enter into force on ..., provided that all the instruments of ratification have been deposited, or, failing that, on the first day of the month following the deposit of the instrument of ratification by the last signatory State to take this step.

3. If, two years after the signature of the Constitutional Treaty, four fifths of the Member States have ratified it and one or more Member States have encountered difficulties in proceeding with ratification, the matter shall be referred to the European Council.

#### **Article G: Adoption, ratification and entry into force of the Constitutional Treaty**

(1) ~~The Constitutional Treaty~~*This Constitution* shall be ratified by the High Contracting Parties in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements. The instruments of ratification shall be deposited with the Government of the Italian Republic.

~~2. The Constitutional Treaty shall enter into force on ..., provided that all the instruments of ratification have been deposited, or, failing that, on the first day of the month following the deposit of the instrument of ratification by the last signatory State to take this step.~~

~~3. If, two years after the signature of the Constitutional Treaty, four fifths of the Member States have ratified it and one or more Member States have encountered difficulties in proceeding with ratification, the matter shall be referred to the European Council.~~

(2) *For the Member States which have ratified it, this Constitution shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the deposit of the instrument of ratification by four fifth of the Member States. The other Member States will have to decide, within one year following the entry into force of this Constitution, whether they want to be member of the Union on the basis of this Constitution or to leave the Union.*

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***Explanation:***

The Constitution has to make clear, that those Member States not ratifying the Constitution have to decide whether they want to stay in the Union or leave.