

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article X

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Article X : to be inserted in Title VI on "The Union's Democratic Life"¹

1. ~~— The Congress of the Peoples of Europe shall provide a forum for contact and consultation in European political life. It shall meet at least once a year. Its meetings shall be public. The President of the European Parliament shall convene and chair them.~~
2. ~~— The Congress shall not intervene in the Council's legislative procedure.~~
3. ~~— The President of the European Council shall report on the State of the Union. The President of the Commission shall present the annual legislative programme.~~
4. ~~— One third of the Congress shall be members of the European Parliament: two thirds shall be representatives of national Parliaments. The total shall not exceed seven hundred.~~

¹ The Union should not have new organs which make the institutional structure more complicated. It is better to develop the already existing COSAC, which is a very suitable network for inter-parliamentary contacts.