

**CORRIGENDUM 1 TO COVER NOTE**

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from : Praesidium  
to : Convention  
Subject : **Draft Constitution, Volume II**  
**– Draft text of Parts Two, Three and Four**

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**1. Article III-163 on page 95 should read as follows (new subparagraph (d)):**

Article III-163 (ex Article 12)

1. The Union shall develop a common immigration policy aimed at ensuring, at all stages, the efficient management of migration flows, fair treatment of third-country nationals residing legally in Member States, and the prevention of, and enhanced measures to combat, illegal immigration and trafficking in human beings.
2. To this end, a European law or framework law shall establish measures in the following areas:
  - (a) the conditions of entry and residence, and standards on the issue by Member States of long-term visas and residence permits, including those for the purpose of family reunion;
  - (b) the definition of the rights of third-country nationals residing legally in a Member State, including the conditions governing the freedom of movement and of residence in other Member States;
  - (c) illegal immigration and unauthorised residence, including removal and repatriation of persons residing without authorisation.
  - (d) combating trafficking in persons, in particular women and children.
3. The Union may conclude readmission agreements with third countries for the readmission of third-country nationals residing without authorisation to their countries of origin or provenance.

4. A European law or framework law may establish measures providing incentives and support for the action of Member States with a view to promoting the integration of third-country nationals residing legally in their territories, excluding any harmonisation of the laws and regulations of the Member States.

**2. Article III-230 on page 138 should read as follows (last sentence amended):**

Article III-230 (ex Article 193)

In the course of its duties, the European Parliament may, at the request of a quarter of its component Members, set up a temporary Committee of Inquiry to investigate, without prejudice to the powers conferred by the Constitution on other institutions or bodies, alleged contraventions or maladministration in the implementation of Union law, except where the alleged facts are being examined before a court and while the case is still subject to legal proceedings.

The temporary Committee of Inquiry shall cease to exist on the submission of its report.

A European law adopted by the European Parliament on its own initiative shall lay down the detailed provisions governing the exercise of the right of inquiry. The European Parliament shall act after obtaining the approval of the Commission and of the Council.

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