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BEGELEIDENDE NOTA

van: het secretariaat

aan: de Conventie

Betreft: Bijdrage van de heer Frantisek Kroupa, plaatsvervangend lid van de Conventie
- "Formulering van een deel van de preambule van het Constitutioneel Verdrag van de EU"

De secretaris-generaal van de Conventie heeft van de heer Frantisek Kroupa, plaatsvervangend lid van de Conventie, de bijdrage ontvangen die in bijlage dezes staat.

I recommend to include following sentence to the preamble
of the Constitutional Treaty of EU:

Proposed text:

[European Union]

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respecting the spiritual sources of European civilisation, among them ancient philosophy, the heritage of Bible and secular humanism play an important role,

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Justification:

In order to establish European Union which is closer to its citizens, the Union should acknowledge in its Constitutional Treaty the importance of religion, that has played an important role in shaping of European identity and that is shared by ca. 80% of European citizens. Furthermore, the heritage of Bible is respected by Christians, Jews, Muslims and atheists together. Muslims recognize the Bible as one of holy books, Jesus is considered as a prophet by them.
