

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 13:

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Proposed Amendments

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Explanation:

First paragraph: this is to stick to the spirit of articles 98/99 of the EC Treaty, which should not be changed. It should be recalled that the final report of Working Group on Economic Governance (CONV357/02), as endorsed by the Convention Plenary, did not present any ma-

majority view on the need to change existing arrangements for the current Broad Economic Policy Guidelines process, with the exception of giving the European Parliament the right of formal consultation on the draft BEPG.