AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article: 25.1

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Text of the Praesidium Article 25: Legislative acts (*) 1. European laws and European framework laws shall be adopted, on the basis of proposals from the Commission, jointly by the European Parliament and the Council in accordance with the rules of the legislative procedure referred to in Article X (Part Two of the Constitution). If the two institutions cannot reach agreement on an act, it shall not be adopted. Specific provisions shall apply in the cases referred to in Article Z (ex-third pillar). (*)Article 29 will stipulate that legislative acts cannot be used for the CFSP. 2. In the specific cases provided for by the Constitution, European laws and European framework laws shall be adopted by the Council 3. When acting under any procedure for the adoption of a European law or a European framework law, the European Parliament and the Council shall meet in public.

Comments

Article 25.1 mentions that specific provisions shall apply in the cases referred in Article Z (ex-third pillar).

UNICE is of the firm opinion that this article should make clear that specific provisions should not only apply to the current third pillar but also to other areas which have been identified by Convention working groups as requiring specific provisions in terms of procedures or voting conditions, such as certain areas of social policy or taxation policy.