



Procedure file

Basic information		
NLE - Non-legislative enactments Decision	2009/0814(NLE)	Procedure completed, awaiting publication in Official Journal
Decision on the European Council's proposal not to convene a Convention for the revision of the Treaties with regard to transitional measures concerning the composition of the European Parliament		
Subject 8.10 Revision of the Treaties, intergovernmental conferences 8.40.01 European Parliament		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	AFCO Constitutional Affairs		22/02/2010
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Council of the European Union	Commission DG	Commissioner	
European Commission	Secretariat-General	BARROSO José Manuel	

Key events			
04/12/2009	Legislative proposal published	17196/2009	Summary
18/01/2010	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
07/04/2010	Vote in committee		Summary
12/04/2010	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A7-0116/2010	
05/05/2010	Debate in Parliament		
06/05/2010	Results of vote in Parliament		
06/05/2010	Decision by Parliament	T7-0147/2010	Summary
17/06/2010	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
17/06/2010	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information	
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Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments

Procedure subtype	Consent by Parliament
Legislative instrument	Decision
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Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	17196/2009	04/12/2009	CSL	Summary
Committee draft report	PE439.159	23/02/2010	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee	PE439.873	11/03/2010	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A7-0116/2010	12/04/2010	EP	
Document attached to the procedure	COM(2010)0189	27/04/2010	EC	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T7-0147/2010	06/05/2010	EP	Summary

Decision on the European Council's proposal not to convene a Convention for the revision of the Treaties with regard to transitional measures concerning the composition of the European Parliament

PURPOSE: to request Parliament's consent to dispense with a Convention following the proposal for revision of the Treaties with regard to the composition of the European Parliament.

CONTENT: in accordance with Article 48(3)(ii) of the TEU, the European Council is seeking Parliament's consent not to convene a Convention to examine the [proposed amendments by the Government of Spain](#) to Protocol 36 on transitional provisions concerning the composition of the European Parliament.

It should be recalled that Article 48(3)(ii) of the TEU states that the European Council may decide by a simple majority, after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament, not to convene a Convention should this not be justified by the extent of the proposed amendments. In the latter case, the European Council shall define the terms of reference for a conference of representatives of the governments of the Member States.

Decision on the European Council's proposal not to convene a Convention for the revision of the Treaties with regard to transitional measures concerning the composition of the European Parliament

The Committee on Constitutional Affairs adopted a report by Íñigo MÉNDEZ DE VIGO (EPP, ES) on the European Council's proposal not to convene a Convention for the revision of the Treaties with regard to transitional measures concerning the composition of the European Parliament.

The committee recommends that Parliament approves the European Council's proposal to amend Protocol No 36 by means of an intergovernmental conference, without convening a Convention.

The report notes that, in the light of precedent, the convening of a convention to approve a transitional amendment, with limited scope, of the provisions set out in the EU Treaty relating to the composition of Parliament is unnecessary.

Decision on the European Council's proposal not to convene a Convention for the revision of the Treaties with regard to transitional measures concerning the composition of the European Parliament

The European Parliament adopted by 499 votes to 14, with 7 abstentions, a decision on the European Council's proposal not to convene a Convention for the revision of the Treaties with regard to transitional measures concerning the composition of the European Parliament.

It approved the European Council's proposal to amend Protocol No 36 by means of an intergovernmental conference, without convening a Convention.

Members note that, in the light of precedent, the convening of a convention to approve a transitional amendment, with limited scope, of the provisions set out in the EU Treaty relating to the composition of Parliament is unnecessary.