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Proposed amendments to draft Contribution and Conclusions of the XLV COSAC

Thank you for the draft Contribution and Conclusions ahead of the COSAC meeting next week.

I suggest amendments to the text of paragraphs 1.4 and 4.3 of the Contribution and to paragraph 2 of the Conclusions. The proposed amendments, shown in track changes, are attached to this letter. The explanations are as follows:

1. Contribution

- 1.4 I propose that this paragraph be deleted. It is not clear to me how this paragraph contributes or who is meant to organize the conference. In my view the Committees on Finance would be best equipped for a conference on the subject matter.
- 4.3 In connection to the paragraph on national parliaments' subsidiarity checks I propose a new paragraph concerning the motivations of the Commission's proposals. In my experience, work needs still to be done when it comes to the extent to which the proposals are motivated. The Swedish Committee on the Constitution recently published a report on the implementation in Sweden of scrutiny of the subsidiarity principle. According to the Committee's findings, a number of the Commission's proposals for legal acts which were looked into lacked motivation all together or had insufficent motivation.



2. Conclusions

2. We propose that this paragraph be deleted. Amendments to the RoP in line with the Lisbon Treaty will be decided in Budapest. We do not foresee the need for further amendments at this point.

Yours sincerely,

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