

*Task f) : " To consider the possibility of giving COSAC a new and more understandable name"*

## **Should COSAC have a new name<sup>1</sup>?**

### **1. Which name?**

There was agreement at the XXVII COSAC meeting in Copenhagen from 16 -18 October 2002 that the working group should consider whether COSAC should have a new, more understandable name in the long term.

A change of names would not make any changes in COSAC's authority and competencies.

A change of names can be carried out without making amendments to the Treaty.

At a more concrete level the following names are among those that have been proposed:

- "Forum of Parliaments"
- "The Council of European Parliaments"
- "The Union of European Parliaments"
- "The Union of European Parliamentarians"
- ...

The participating delegations are encouraged to provide further proposals for a new name.

### **2. Consequences for COSAC's rules of procedure**

As a consequence of the proposed changes a number of items in the rules of procedure must be changed.

The concrete proposals for changes are contained in the draft of the new rules of procedure.

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<sup>1</sup> This note takes its point of departure in the document "13 notes on the Danish COSAC Presidency's draft of 11 July 2002", which was forwarded to all COSAC delegations in advance of the COSAC meeting in Copenhagen from 16 - 18 October 2002. The document is dated 9 October 2002.