

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

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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.