

Statutory Resolution No. (93)27 on majorities required for decisions of the Committee of Ministers

adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 14 May 1993 at its 92nd Session

The Committee of Ministers, under the terms of Articles 15a and 16 of the Statute of the Council of Europe;

Having regard to the Parliamentary Assembly's proposals for institutional reforms within the Council of Europe;

Bearing in mind the increased membership of the Council of Europe and the need to strengthen the Organisation's capacity for action;

Considering it therefore desirable to reduce the number of cases where unanimity is required for decisions of the Committee of Ministers;

Considering that the provisions hereinafter set out are not inconsistent with the Statute of the Council of Europe;

Resolves as follows:

I Opening of Conventions and Agreements for signature

Decisions on the opening for signature of Conventions and Agreements concluded within the Council of Europe shall be taken by a two-thirds majority of the representatives casting a vote and a majority of the representatives entitled to sit on the Committee, as set out in Article 20.d of the Statute.

II Partial Agreements

In accordance with the Statutory Resolution on Partial and Enlarged Agreements decisions authorising certain member States to pursue an activity as a Partial Agreement shall be taken by a two-thirds majority of the representatives casting a vote and a majority of the representatives entitled to sit on the Committee, as set out in Article 20.d of the Statute.