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**Priority question for written answer P-001075/26
to the Council
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(16 March 2026)**

Subject: Intergovernmental convention

In its resolution of 22 November 2023 on proposals of the European Parliament for the amendment of the Treaties ⁽¹⁾, Parliament called for an intergovernmental convention to be convened. The resolution also described Members' proposals for the amendment of the Treaties, stressing that change should help the EU tackle geopolitical challenges and equip it for enlargement.

Since then, the geopolitical context has changed significantly and has become even more challenging for the EU, which must be prepared for different scenarios in advance and be ready to act, if needed, without hesitation. This requires a proper legal basis, including the extension of the EU's competences and the use of qualified majority voting in the field of defence.

In the light of the above, can the Council say:

1. What is the current status, in the European Council, of Parliament's proposal of 22 November 2023?
2. Does the European Council intend to convene an intergovernmental convention, in accordance with Article 48 of the Treaty on European Union, to examine Parliament's proposal of 22 November 2023, and, if so, when?
3. Are there any obstacles within the European Council that are impeding the convening of an intergovernmental convention?

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**Reply
(8 July 2026)**

It is not for the Council to answer questions concerning the European Council, as the European Council is a separate institution.

¹ OJ C, C/2024/4216, 24.7.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/C/2024/4216/oj>.