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## I Introduction

The European Parliament's Draft Treaty aims, as the "continuing and reviving" the European preamble states, at well as the European Monetary System and Communities as Political Cooperation. Among these three forms of only the European Communities are relevant, organization, seems, as far as the judicial system is concerned. Thus, the seeks to "continue and revive" the existing European The obvious approach to a discussion of the Communities. for judicial system would consist, draft's meaning the outlining the major problems therefore, in the actual the Communities has given rise to in this functioning of field.

However, that approach does not look very promising. true that the draft intends to overcome a certain difficulties that tend to characterize the of number Communities' decision-making practices; the draft itself does so explicitly, but the explanatory statement starts say not Parliament's "dissatisfaction expressing with by Community's institutional system" and its criticism of "the inadequate nature of the powers conferred on the Communities Treaties".1) But it is also true that the

dissatisfaction and these criticisms do not touch in any way judicial system framed by the treaties establishing the European Communities. More particularly, they do not concern the Court of Justice and its activities. Signore Spinelli, was perhaps more than any other member of the European Parliament actively involved in initiating and elaborating the draft, enumerated in a recent article six considerations and experiences that caused the Parliament to take the initiative, and none of these six motives had anything to do with the Court.2) Some other authors go one step further: that only the Court actually operates as an they consider integrative force in Europe and that it is the failure of the institutions to play such a role which induced Parliament to act.3)

these circumstances, it is not astonishing that the planned transition from European Communities to European does not, at first sight, imply major changes in the the Court of Justice, or in the judicial system in general. On the contrary, many planned provisions have a familiar ring for those who have been working on the basis of Such is, for example, the case of the existing treaties. 4 of the draft on the protection of fundamental Article those "derived defining these rights as particular from the common principles of the constitutions of

the Member States and from the European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms", it adopts the formula developed by the Court's case law and later confirmed by a "common declaration" on human rights issued by the three other institutions.4)

are novelties, nonetheless. Jurisdiction of the Court is extended (Article 43); a system of sanctions is (Article 44); and the prospect of an "homogeneous judicial area" is held out (Article 46). Each of these three innovations merits our attention, but before trying to analyse them, we should like to put them immediately in their perspective. The scope of judicial scrutiny depends not so much on matters of jurisdiction, nor on the system of sanctions, but rather on standards applied by the courts in exercising judicial review. These standards have normally been developed over the years; this is also true in the case of the European Communities, where the Court of Justice gradually constructed a body of case law with regard to the judicial control on the basis of the legal margins of that govern, in the treaties and in the administrative law of the Member States, the division of judiciary, on the one hand, tasks between the political and administrative bodies on the other. It would a dangerous misconception to think that an extension of jurisdiction could have a bearing on the standards applied for determining the scope of judicial review 5); in that regard, the new Article 43 might remain without any effect. It is worth adding one other observation: whatever the extension of the Union's powers, economic matters will still form the core of the Union's activities, as in the days of the Communities. Institutional changes alone will not solve the problems, well known in many legal systems, of combining the conduct of modern economic policies with the requirements of judicial review of administrative action.6) Things tend to develop very slowly, as judicial attitudes in this respect seem to depend on deep-rooted conceptions with regard to the role of courts in general.

who like change may, however, derive some comfort from the idea that the draft, apart from making minor changes in the judicial system, is based on a Union with objectives that are much more ambitious than those of the existing Communities. It is well known that the Court of Justice, in interpreting the law of the Communities, was often inclined at what legal provisions were meant to achieve, and that it thereby took account of the general aims of the Communities. Its case law on social security was, European example, entirely based on this approach 7); the same method has been applied to more complicated issues, like

those concerning the definition of obstacles to intra-Community trade. The mere fact that the Draft Treaty fixes new and much wider objectives may thus, in the long run, provide fresh inspiration to the judges. The differences are not unimportant: whereas the EEC-treaty sets out to establish a common market and to promote a harmonious development of economic activities (Article 2), the Draft Treaty seeks to attain "a common harmonious development of society" and to and even the exercise of full political, promote peace economic and social rights by "all the peoples of the world" (Article 9).

immediate consequences for the scope of judicial action may flow from the inclusion of the protection of rights. Comparative legal studies abundantly fundamental show how much the powers of judicial review are strengthened courts' willingness to consider themselves the the guardians of human rights; American constitutional in particular, has undergone a complete change, especially as far as the scope of review is concerned, since Supreme Court started to reappraise the American Bill of Rights in the late forties.8) The American example is by no isolated: the French Conseil constitutionnel an effective role in French political life started to play courage of interpreting the after it took the

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Constitution in such a way that its preamble embodies protection of human rights.9)

In the light of these experiences, an analysis of the judicial system can hardly be accomplished when the wider issues raised by the Draft Treaty are not discussed. We shall, therefore, first embark upon a rapid journey through the forests of jurisdiction and then steer our course to problems of substance, hoping thus finally to be able to give an overall assessment of the position of the judiciary under the Draft Treaty.

# II Problems of Jurisdiction

### a. General

Article 43 of the Draft Treaty adopts the Community rules governing judicial review, but it states that these rules shall be supplemented on the basis of seven "principles". These principles amount to seven roughly defined extensions of jurisdiction; detailed rules are to be given later in Union legislation. The draft on the transition from the old to the new regime; one must suppose that the old rules continue to apply as long

as the legislative bodies have not yet specified the new remedies.

seven extensions are all related to lacunae in the jurisdiction and to difficulties in their actual rules on application that have been largely discussed at conferences Their importance is, however, and in legal literature.10) of them involve matters of principle, very unequal: some of a sheerly technical nature. Anyhow, it would the seven clauses of Article appear that to the Seven Deadly Sins of Parliament's response Community; even pride and anger, although common elements of most political activities, are presumably far removed from the quiet world of judicial life.

#### b. Technical problems

In the technical category, I would first range the extension of the <u>right of action of individuals</u> against acts of the Union that adversely affect them (Article 43-1). Under the present rules, access of individuals to the Court is excessively restricted. If private individuals, including businesses, corporations, and other "undertakings", are not themselves the addressees of a decision, their rights of action are very limited indeed; according to Article 173 of

the EEC-treaty, they have to show that the provisions of a regulation or a decision are "of direct and individual concern" to them. Even a most liberal interpretation of these terms cannot bring the Community system into line with most national systems of administrative law, which simply require an "interest". Both the Court and the Commission recommended this extension in their opinions on the European Union given in 1975 at the request of the Council.11)

that private persons can change also mean attack general rules as well as individual decisions? must be affirmative; the existing provisions give already such a remedy to the Council, the Commission and the The proposed change brings the system of Member States. remedies closer to French administrative law, which always recognized appeals against regulations (though not against statutes); German and Dutch law have traditionally been more The result is then that, for example, cautious. ask annulment of a Commission regulation on enterprise can group exemptions of a certain class of agreements from the prohibitions of Article 85 (e.g. exclusive licensing of it feels adversely affected. In other words: if patents), henceforth wide open. The wider access to the is may be conducive to a heavier case-load for that institution. But it may also have important implications

a legal point of view: direct actions against general rules issued by Union institutions can also be used to bring Parliament's exercise of its legislative European the function under judicial control. The Court of Justice would the power to review legislation in thus have constitutional courts usually have. The Court proposed as much in its opinion on the European Union.12)

Second item in the "technical" category: equal treatment the institutions before the Court (Article 43-2). all imply two things. First, Parliament cannot, under the existing rules, bring an action for annulment under 173 EEC-treaty, although it can bring an action for act under Article 175; Article 173 limits the failure to right of action expressly, as far as Community institutions are concerned, to the Council and the Commission. and it could perhaps be helped by a illogical, slightly imaginative interpretation, based on the unity of system of remedies rather than on the precise wording of the relevant provisions; it is not completely impossible that the Court of Justice might be willing to take that route.13)

Secondly, equal treatment of institutions before the Court probably implies that the European Parliament and the Council will be entitled to submit written observations to

Court, and to argue their case orally, in procedures concerning preliminary rulings. At present, the parties to the main action, the governments of the Member States and the Commission have these rights, and the Council only if the the interpretation of one of its acts is at In practice, the Council is only represented if stake.14) the dispute involves the validity of one of its regulations; probably, therefore, Parliament will be the only institution to benefit from the principle of equal treatment. Or will the fifth institution that the Draft Treaty adds to the existing four, viz. the "European Council", develop the desire to make its views on legal matters known to the Court? looks unlikely, but it cannot be excluded (in particular the "European Council" will be endowed with a separate secretariat).

The third technical item is jurisdiction of the Court to annul an action within the context of an application for a preliminary ruling or of a plea of illegality. extension of jurisdiction raises a highly technical point. probably based on the Commission's recommendation to restore the balance between the wide powers the Court has actions for annulment and the very Article 173 on limited possibilities opened by Article 177 regarding preliminary rulings on "the validity . . . of acts of the

The implications of the Commission's idea institutions".15) are not very clear. First, it may mean that provisions on effects of annulment, like Articles 174 and 176, also apply when a regulation is declared invalid in a judgment The Court of Justice sometimes applied Article 177. already by analogy in cases on preliminary these provisions rulings, 16) but it has been severely criticized for doing and some of these judgments even roused the indignation well-known French legal scholars.17) Second, however, involve a much wider Commission's proposal may, direct actions for annulment under Article 173 well-founded, the Court declares the act in question to "void", which has always been taken to mean that the act has never lawfully existed; on the contrary, a declaration of invalidity under Article 177 presently implies no more than act is not operative in the case at hand; the judgment does not work "erga omnes".18)

The Draft Treaty obviously takes up this latter idea by expressly granting a power of annulment in the framework of a preliminary ruling. In practical terms, this may not be a very impressive step; the Court has already held that national courts are not obliged to ask for preliminary rulings on the validity of an act whose invalidity has already been pronounced by the Court in a different case

Article 177; the Court went out of its way to stress national courts remained free to reintroduce question, but that they should normally do so only if they felt doubts as to the extent of the invalidity already pronounced, to its consequences.19) However, the or as proposed change has considerable importance for the theory of invalidity; it has often been said that the existing rules, in opening possibilities for annulment only to certain parties and within certain time limits, and in accepting then a plea of illegality in pending litigation, with different striking a balance between aim consequences, at legality of administrative action and legal requirements of The proposed reform could be certainty.20) sacraficing the latter for the benefit of the former.

Will the reform increase the jurisdiction of national courts? Article 184, which embodies the plea of illegality, is usually considered as the expression of a general principle; the Court of Justice said so in one of its Simmenthal judgments.21) If that view is the correct one, it is possible to see the inclusion of questions of validity in Article 177 as the expression of the idea that any national court can, by way of a plea of illegality, be faced with a problem of validity, and that it was therefore necessary to extend the scope of preliminary rulings to these matters.

is true, the proposal to grant a power of However, if that annulment within the context of a plea of illegality implies that national courts will be able to pronounce such an annulment, only supreme courts being bound to interrogate the Court of Justice before doing so. The monopoly of annulment, in the hands of the Court of Justice by virtue of Article 173, would be broken. Such a development would do great harm to the uniform application of Union law; it would also raise the delicate question whether annulment by a court Member State would have effect in a different Member For these reasons, it would seem wise not introduce the proposed change without some accompanying personally, I would be in favour of extrapolating slightly the line of the existing case law, by providing that national courts cannot pronounce the invalidity of acts of institutions without first having interrogated the Justice.22) Such an amendment would amount to an of the number of cases in which reference to the compulsory. The step appears greater than it is actually is, as national courts will in practice always refer matters of validity of Community acts to the Court of Justice under Article 177. The German Finanzgerichte, very inventive discovering validity problems, gradually developed a practice of never pronouncing on invalidity without having questioned the Court of Justice. But national courts should be obliged to follow this road if their appreciation of the validity of common rules can entail the annulment of such rules.

## c. Declarations of principle

this heading, I bring first the clause compulsory jurisdiction of the Court to rule on any disputes between Member States in connection with the objectives of the Union (Article 43-7). These objectives being framed in wide terms, almost any litigation between Member States will The proposal thus broadens the belong in this category. provision of Article 182 EEC-treaty. Its result is an increase of jurisdiction of the Court of Justice at the expense of that of bodies like the International Court of This is interesting enough for those who like to Justice. theorize on the legal character of the proposed Union; but its practical bearing is slight, as litigation between Member States is extremely rare.

The proposal has no relation to a recent declaration of the Heads of State and Government (European Council) to the effect that international agreements between Member States will, as far as appropriate, provide for jurisdiction of the Court of Justice in interpreting these agreements.23) This declaration - which concerns the relations between national courts and the Court of Justice, and not those between Member a completely theoretical nature; it is the States - has agreements between Member States themselves which are to for the Court's jurisdiction, and the negociating States' diplomats does not show an the Member practice of zeal in that direction. The record of the Interim the Community Patent is a case in point: it Committee on devised a "common patent appeals court" in order to be matters of validity of Community patents would be looked into by real experts, and it then came gradually round idea that patent law could perhaps better do without interference of the Court of Justice. It must be admitted, though, that the Court of Justice did not increase popularity among patent experts by holding that, under certain conditions, the principle of free movement of goods precludes patent holders from relying on rights national legislation normally attaches to patents.24)

Second declaration of principle: the clause on jurisdiction of the Court to impose sanctions on a Member State failing to fulfill its obligations under the law of the Union (Article 43-6). As long as implementing legislation is missing, it is hard to see what kind of sanctions the drafters had in mind. These sanctions do not encompass

rights deriving from the application of the suspension of non-participation in certain treaty, or institutions, for that is the kind of sanction only the can impose under Article 44 and under European Council the draft, in case of "persistent 4 of par. by a Member State of democratic principles or fundamental rights or of other important provisions of the that is so, it is difficult to see what kind of treaty. the Court should impose in case of a "normal" by a Member State to fulfill its obligations. appropriate as a sanction for Member States seem even less steel producers who they were for great disregard the Commission's production quotas: they will not as a deterrent. If the Member State's failure to fulfill obligations consists of maintaining legislation not its compatible with Union law, one might think of nullity of such legislation; the Court of Justice gave a little push in that direction by holding that citizens cannot be subjected to penal sanctions if the prohibitions upheld by these sanctions incompatible with Community law according to a judgment rendered by the Court under Article 169.25) However, such an approach is not very helpful if the Member State's failure consists of not having enacted certain measures.

is not of the greatest importance. problem judgment that finds that a Member present the at its obligations can only give a State failed to fulfill declaration to that effect, experience shows that the Member State concerned will comply, at least in the long run. far from sure that the introduction of Secondly, is it to accelerate the process: more often sanctions would help to act stem not so much from conscious not, failures decisions to be slow, but from somewhat untidy tactical moves by governments or government agencies, aimed at staving off or trade-union pressure or at ushering a peasant rebellions legislation through Parliament without certain amount of major accidents.

# d. Protection of fundamental rights

Jurisdiction of the Court of Justice for the protection fundamental rights vis-à-vis the Union (Article 43-3) has already been extolled for a number of years.26) unproblematic, and at the same time it is the thin end of the unproblematic because everybody wants it, wedge. It is in the line of the general evolution of the it European Communities, because it would strengthen the "Europe citizen" and because it would ease some existing national courts and the Court of Justice. tensions between

And it is the thin end of the wedge because it may have a considerable impact on the scope of judicial review throughout the proposed Union. We shall deal with that particular topic when discussing matters of substance and stick, for the moment, to problems of jurisdiction in the strict sense of the word.

Commission strongly recommended this extension of the Court's jurisdiction in its 1975 opinion on the European It based its suggestions on the idea of the rule of law ("Rechtsstaat"), which it also found expressed in the Court's opinion, and it concluded that a Union treaty should provide for uniform binding rules protecting the rights of Therefore, it said, individuals should have individuals. comprehensive possibilities of access to the Court if they allege breaches of human rights and fundamental freedoms, so as to enable the Court to play a key role in safeguarding these rights and freedoms.27) These suggestions, which probably form the background of the proposed reform, may in their turn have drawn their inspiration from the German legal system, and especially from the particular form of action called "Verfassungsbeschwerde" (constitutional complaint). It is a general form of appeal to the federal constitutional court available to any person alleging that his fundamental rights as guaranteed by the federal constitution have been denied by any statute, judicial decision or administrative act.28)

a right of action of such a general nature should be given to the citizens of the future European Union, its exercise will no doubt have to be qualified in order to keep judicial system workable. In German law, for example, subject to some exceptions - that ordinary the rule is remedies should be exhausted; without such a rule, the "Verfassungsbeschwerde" would, in a way, criss-cross through the normal remedies and appeals and so disrupt the ordinary judicial system. The effect of the rule of working of the exhaustion of remedies is that the constitutional complaint more or less functions as a kind of super-appeal, albeit with a limited scope, namely to enable the constitutional court to check whether the earlier judicial decisions in the case assessed the plaintiff's fundamental rights correctly. some exaggeration, one might summarize the situation as one in which a citizen first fights his way through local court, appeals court and supreme court and then asks the federal constitutional court to test whether these judges have duly respected his fundamental rights. There are two obvious consequences: the system makes litigation long and costly, and it tends to enhance the controlling function of the constitutional court.

Introduction remedy similar to the German of a constitutional complaint would, then, provide the Court of Justice with powers to control the national courts. It might therefore provoke some hard feelings among the superior is difficult to see, however, how fundamental It rights could be protected by the Court of Justice without implying a certain form of control of national courts. As it is, citizens will always be able to bring an action before a national court if they feel aggrieved in one way or another, it by violation of their fundamental rights or otherwise. Community law, or Union law, will not diminish possibilities to courts existing at the national level, and a right of action before the Court of Justice will thus necessarily involve some element of scrutiny of the national courts' performance.

These considerations raise a somewhat different problem. The proposed remedy will, according to the Draft Treaty, be available in all cases where "the protection of fundamental righs vis-à-vis the Union" is at stake. That expression seems to embrace violation of such rights by national bodies acting on the basis of Union law; the mechanism of the common agricultural policy is constructed in such a way that practically all individual decisions are taken by national authorities. In such a case, the aggrieved person will

always first seize the national court as he would not like to lose his right to rely on other grievances than those concerned with fundamental rights. Is it open in such a case, to raise also the incompatibility plaintiff, national decision with the national constitution? present treaties, this is a matter of national the constitutional law, which has given rise to well-known differences of opinion. The German constitutional court will consider that protection of fundamental rights at level dispenses national courts from controlling national constitution on that compatibility with the such would, at any rate, seem the point 29); and as far as, national bodies merely act as situation if, The latter condition gives, however, the Union. rise to new problems: do, for example, tax inspectors act as agents of the Union when they levy value-added tax on certain Probably not; but in many instances, national transactions? legislation on VAT will raise exactly the same problems on the Community directives. Some national human rights as like the Dutch Hoge Raad, always start from the assumption that national VAT legislation cannot be applied in a way diverging from the prevailing interpretation of the VAT directives.

Double protection of fundamental rights, on the basis of national constitution and on the basis of the Union treaty, therefore, cannot be excluded. To make matters worse, there may even be a treble protection, as the European Convention of Human Rights will continue to apply. The rule on the exhaustion of national remedies in that Convention 30) implies, in my view, that an individual complaint to the European Commission of Human Rights would not be admissible before the Court of Justice has rendered its judgment under Article 43 of the proposed Union treaty. Chronologically, Strasbourg institutions would therefore come last. situation necessarily implies that the European Court of Human Rights will exercise a certain controlling function with regard to the decisions of the Court of Justice in this Such would even be the case before the Union adheres to the European Convention in conformity with Article 4(3) of the Draft Treaty. The right of action proposed in the protection of human rights will thus be 43 for kind of "escalation" of remedies. a conducive to urgent to take a fresh look at the make it how to reconcile the two great systems of legal question of integration in Europe, that of the Communities and that based on the European Convention of Human Rights - a problem we The same consequences also show something shall return to. be paid by European citizens else: the price to

protection of their fundamental rights at the Union level is the risk of having to wait quite a while for their claim to be ultimately settled.

## e. Supervision of national courts

Article 43-5 intends to create a right of appeal to the Court of Justice against decisions of national courts of last instance where reference to the Court for a preliminary ruling is refused or where a preliminary ruling of the Court has been disregarded. The French text of the draft reads "pourvoi en cassation" for right of appeal.

The proposed introduction of this remedy rests on the assumption that national courts, and supreme courts particular, presently fail to do what they should do, and a direct appeal to the Court of Justice will help them their ways. Practitioners - and your reporter is among have great difficulty in accepting these two will them premisses. As a general proposition, it is just not true that supreme courts fail to refer matters to the Court which they ought to have referred. Most statements to the contrary rely on considerations of a purely theoretical or on isolated decisions which, without any further proof, are considered as indicative of national courts'

general attitudes towards Community law, and in particular towards references to the Court of Justice.31) Such hostile behaviour on the part of national courts is very rare indeed. The duty to refer to the Court of Justice as embodied in par. 3, EEC-treaty, requires national courts, Article 177, and especially supreme courts, to meet two contradictory demands: on the one hand, they are to be aware that a persistent failure to refer will lead to lack of uniform law and so, ultimately, application of Community disintegration of the Community as a legal entity; on the they should refrain from having recourse other hand, automatically to the Court of Justice in all cases having something to do with Community law (for example: in all cases on VAT), even in cases where every lawyer can guess the answer the Court will give. It has never been established indeed, been posited, that, as a rule, supreme courts have not been able to strike a reasonable balance between these two requirements.

There is more to it. The Court's case law assumes that Article 177 EEC-treaty is the expression of a general idea inherent in the Treaty's approach to the judiciary: the idea of collaboration between national courts and the Court of Justice. It is for that reason that the Court of Justice leaves a certain margin of discretion to national courts

faced with the question whether or not they are obliged to refer.32) In such a situation, granting a power of review of national decisions to the Court of Justice might amount to a change of approach, to the substitution of hierarchy to collaboration.

does not end the debate: would it be a good thing have hierarchical relations between national courts and Justice? I wonder. First, it is not at all the Court of the system of preliminary rulings will whether effectively work better after such a change. Second, we may make tacitly a choice on the organisation of the judiciary in the European Union of the future, and we could very well have reasons to regret that choice later. In the long run, it is probably better for the European Union to have a "Union judiciary" alongside the national judicial hierarchy, just as dual system of courts (federal the United States have a courts and state courts).33) If that is the ultimate choice, seem very obvious to begin by creating appeals state courts to the Union court, the Court of Justice. observers will think (and some do think already) that the Court of Justice is to be the ordinary appeal court for any question involving Union law. 34) If the drafters of the Union treaty were really contemplating a central position of the Court of Justice in the judicial system of the future European Union, they would have done better to create union first instance for appeals exclusively implying Union matters and turning on points of fact more than on law, like courts of first instance in competition an administrative tribunal for staff cases. Creation of such an administrative tribunal has already been the Commission; but the Council, in its own proposed by discovered first a mysterious way, certain number difficulties and then found a new problem to every solution. However that may be, the time seems to have come to stop bickering about the lack of enthusiasm of one or two national courts in their dealings with Community law, and to start thinking seriously about the future outlook of the judicial system in a European Union. In that respect, the Draft Treaty is a lost opportunity.

### III Matters of Substance

### a. The objectives of the Union

We saw earlier that the objectives of the Union are couched in wide terms: the preamble alludes to the notions of democracy, human rights and rule of law; the objectives of the Union mentioned in Article 9 range from a harmonious

society to peace in the world; and the provisions on the policies of the Union enable the European Council, in Article 68, to include defence policy and disarmament among matters to be submitted to cooperation and, eventually, to common action. There is some political cunning in the framing of the Draft Treaty's structure: it embraces many fields of action, but it does so in such a way as to permit considering the urgency of one form of action rather than another, and to elaborate gradually, subject by subject, the global policy of the Union. This evolving model of policy-making has definite advantages for the Union's decision-making practice; but that does not mean that it facilitates the work of judges who are to put a certain activity of one of the institutions in the general framework of the activities of the European Union. terms: the question is whether these In other of the Union can still be made operational by the courts.

There is one easy answer to this: the Union takes over the Community patrimony, the famous "acquis communautaire" 7), and encompasses thereby the aims of the EEC-(Article hence, courts can continue to base their interpretations on these aims as they did before. This answer is, however, not completely satisfactory, for the real problem is, of course, how the old EEC aims relate to the

These objectives are new only in part: Union objectives. they also partially restate some of the EEC aims - but not all. For example: Article 9 of the Draft Treaty restates the aim of progressive elimination of imbalances between regions, but it is silent about fair competition; it recapitulates the prospect of free movement of persons, without mentioning free movement of goods. There might, therefore, in the view of the Union Treaty, be a kind of order of drafters of different aims and objectives. One would between not; for it is the very notions of fair competition and free movement of goods that have been crucial, in the Court's case law, for elaborating step by step the legal concept of a common market. Most of the "grands arrêts" have been built idea that a common market implies abolition of discriminatory situations and of obstacles to intra-Community traffic.

There element in the Draft may be an possible loss of workable general counterbalance the institutional provisions are manifestly concepts: its intended to reactivate the legislative process. This is a very important point. Everyday experience shows that in many fields of Community action, harmonization of national is long overdue. Whether courts can continue to legislation that Community legislation, though lacking for the

moment, will be brought about in the near future and that in the meantime case law can fill the gap is an ever more urgent Things get even worse when, as happens sometimes, politicians populating legislative bodies show their disdain the Communities' objectives: can courts have resort to objectives when acting because nobody else same does?35) If legislative machinery remains stuck for years and years, it is no longer up to the courts to put the situation right: they are not equipped for that type of work long run, and they cannot go beyond the inherent of the judicial office.36) The Draft Treaty aims at unlocking the wheels of the legislative machinery by giving a new shape to legislative power, which will be shared between There is no certainty that mere and Parliament. in institutional provisions will accomplish this changes is beyond the scope of this paper to venture it and it would surely be bad for the future predictions.37) But European law if judicial, decisions could development of neither rely on clear and workable concepts on long-term aims, nor on any real upsurge of rule-making activities.

The Union's takeover of the Community patrimony implies that fundamental market freedoms, as embodied in the EEC-treaty and as elaborated by the Commission's practice and by the case law of the Court of Justice and some national

courts, will continue to be in force. These market freedoms individual freedoms derived from the concept of a common They have something in common with human rights; market.38) in German literature, their legal position has sometimes been "grundrechtähnlich", characterized as not-soas It may be true that classical human rights, dissimilar.39) those, for example, embodied in the European Convention, find the freedom and dignity of the individual their basis in some typical market freedoms, like the right to but freely or not to be discriminated against, are not far removed from this same sphere of thought. The question how the relationship between these two arises, then, and freedoms must be of rights seen and, in particular, which one is to prevail in case of contradictory implications.

The first thing one discovers when thinking about this problem is that most of the time the rights in these two categories reinforce each other rather than conflicting. Non-discrimination in the common market fortifies equal protection before the law, and the free development of the individual is helped by the freedom to move without being subjected to arbitrary interference by immigration police, custom officers or tax authorities. The freedom to choose one's profession as it appears in some national constitutions

could hardly be effective without protection against abuse of dominant position in the market.40) And the gradual the national regimes of rights and inclusion of aliens in imagined without the Community's can hardly be efforts to obtain free movement of persons, and, particular, without the limits that have thus been put on the national authorities' previously unfettered discretion to expel aliens.41)

remaining difficulty is what to do when there is a and efforts to reconcile the effects of different clash, would personally prefer not to take the fail. I freedoms general view that rights belonging to the classical humancatalogue should always and automatically override rights and economic freedoms. Much depends on the persons social their rights and freedoms, human who claim protection of rights being primarily concerned with protecting the weak the mighty; on the situation in which protection is claimed, those involved against their will being better suited to having their claims upheld than those who willingly accepted that situation; on the intensity of the alleged freedom of expression being more liable to be breach, violated by forbidding demonstrations than by dissolving book When nothing helps, and when, finally, the chips cartels. down, we should probably realize that the European Union will be based on a clear political ideology, described in the opening words of the Draft Treaty as "commitment to the principles of pluralist democracy, respect for human rights and the rule of law", but that it is not based on any choice between competing economic philosophies.42) Wide-ranging objectives have thus their use, after all.

## b. The judicial area

The "homogeneous judicial area" will be created, according to Article 46 of the draft, by cooperation between Member States, i.e. without the exercise of specific powers by Union institutions; Commission and Parliament "may", however, submit appropriate recommendations. The degree of homogeneity of the judicial area may thus become quite relative.

The Draft Treaty does not tell us what it means by "judicial area", but it gives two examples of measures apt to promote it. The first example is "measures designed to reinforce the feeling of individual citizens that they are citizens of the Union". As a good fishery policy will certainly reinforce (or even create) the fisherman's feeling that he is a citizen of the Union, a clause like this may mean anything or nothing. The most likely explanation is

the drafters have been toying with ideas like European passports, exchange of students and duty-free hand luggage. the relation with the judicial system looks tenuous. That is certainly not so for the second example: the fight "international forms of crime, including terrorism". past, suggestions have now and then been made to such a crime-fighting area; for a certain time, President Giscard d'Estaing seemed to pursue the idea judiciaire"). It is an interesting idea from a general point of view, as its implementation would extend the the field of criminal business into Politically, there are some pitfalls in this path: experience has shown that some governments do not like to get involved in other governments' dealings with terrorist movements. mere coordination of extradition practices can, as Basque problem has shown these last years, implicate nations in other nations' problems, or even in accompanying violence.

Consequently, the two examples are not very helpful for finding out what the homogeneous judicial area can be taken to mean. The Union institutions could make a virtue out of necessity by inventing a legal program that can do justice to the ambitious wording of Article 46. Why not start a real effort to unify commercial law? Lawyers have had guilt

feelings ever since Pascal's jeering observations on the "trois degrés d'élévation du pole" that turn a whole body of case law upside down and on the "plaisante justice qu'une rivière borne".43) Modern conditions make many disparities even more difficult to understand and to accept. There is one snag: the institutions should first eliminate disparities that directly affect the establishment and functioning of the common market. And they can already do so now, on the basis of Article 100 EEC-treaty, a provision which has given rise to many studies but whose potential is not nearly exhausted: rémarkably little has been actually done so far.

Meanwhile, the judicial area could as well wait for better times. Scant comfort is offered by one of the European Parliament's working papers on the Draft Treaty, seemingly content with the following considerations: "The creation of a judicial area will help to bring to fruition the concept of European citizenship, the main component of which is the common enjoyment of fundamental rights".44)

# c. The impact of human rights protection

Only a few examples suffice to show that human-rights protection may conduce to quite important innovations of the law and to results that nobody had imagined before. American

criminal procedure has been profoundly influenced by the U.S. Supreme Court's stand on human rights, and the prison system of many European countries had to be reformed because of the implications of the European Convention on Human Rights. push the matter somewhat further; for a moment it looked as if capital punishment in the U.S. would be abolished by the contrary to the American Bill of Rights, as were as state laws forbidding abortion.45) I admit that these latter decisions came at a time which must by hindsight be described as one of the great epochs of judicial activism in America, a activism that culminated about 180 years after the entry into force of the Bill of Rights, and one century after introduction of the XIVth Amendment to the Constitution, which turned out to be such a great help to the Supreme I submit that comparative studies show how it is to foresee changes in judicial attitudes in respect; the French Conseil constitutionnel it adopted its new approach in everybody by surprise when In these matters, prophecies are even less reliable than weather forecasts in Great Britain.

Nobody knows, therefore, whether the Court of Justice will be tempted to spread its wings in a comparable way. At all events, the Court's position under the Draft Treaty will be inevitably reinforced. First, with regard to national

under the existing arrangements, the Court and the national constitutional courts are, in a way, competing powers in the field of human rights; but the combined effect of Articles 4 and 43 of the Draft Treaty will be to confer certain controlling powers on the Court of Justice. Second, the delicate balance of power between the Court and the political institutions of the Union is tipped in favour of not the legislative but the judicial power of former: the Union will have a final say on the meaning of fundamental and thereby on the implications of these freedoms freedoms. all rule-giving and administrative activities. for stature in the eyes of the general public will increase, as it will be easier for the citizens of the Union to see the Court really as "their" court when they have more possibilities of entering into the passions of the litigants.

Other circumstances suggest that changes of judicial attitudes, if forthcoming, will be slow. It will, in the most optimistic forecast, take years and years before Union law will touch on matters of disarmament; it might very well even take years before Union policy will cover subjects like protection of the environment, coordination of urbanization schemes or prison reform. Many areas likely to give rise to human-rights problems will thus, for the moment, be excluded from the Court's jurisdiction. The first years of the Union

will probably be characterized by efforts aimed at consolidating and expanding common economic policies and at extending the common market to fisheries and to transportion. The technicians of economic law will, for the moment, hold their ground.

further thinking gives, however, reason to foresee that unexpected developments may nevertheless occur. scheme implies, according to the Draft jurisdiction on human rights on the part of national courts, the Court of Justice and the European Court of Human Rights; each of these categories of judges has its own contribution The Strasbourg court may be more sensitive to issues, just its Luxembourg sister human-rights as more liable to respond to problems regarding institution is discrimination, or division of powers among Union and Member Some mutual adjusting will be necessary. Even now, some areas in which Community law does not seem there are to the evolutions that have taken place completely attuned Human Rights Convention. The very liberal under the interpretation the Human Rights Court gives to "civil rights" the fair trial clause of Article 6 covered by may have important consequences for certain Convention 47) practices usually followed in the economic law of Community, as, for example, in competition law.

This brings us, finally, to the future existence of two areas of legal integration in Europe: the European Union and the Council of Europe, under whose auspices the European Convention on Human Rights functions. If the Union takes way indicated by the Draft Treaty, judicial the relations between these two areas will be strengthened. Union may, therefore, more and more become the real heart of Council of Europe. Some political developments work in the same direction. In the near future, Spain and Portugal to the Communities; Turkey will, if it does not begin to take return to democracy seriously, become only a nominal member of the Council of Europe. What remains then, chiefly the Member States of the Community and the countries bound to it by free trade arrangements, like Switzerland and Austria. In other words: Sweden, Norway, factual situation in the Council of Europe could be much the same as the one that is gradually evolving in the field economic integration, where the Community takes the lead in close collaboration with the countries of the works This collaboration could be intensified, free trade area. judicial level. At the moment, the free trade the also agreements are interpreted by the Court of Justice as well as supreme courts of countries like Austria by certian risk diverging Switzerland; there is of a interpretations.48) If forms could be found for instituting

collaboration between the Community and these future Union might inherit a judicial countries, the if gradually extended to other structure which, matters, would in real terms be at the same time the judicial structure within the Council of Europe. After some time, the two organizations would vanish. rift between the Such a perspective might help to overcome certain fears among lawyers about a human-rights court composed of judges from third countries that would impose its legal views on Union institutions.

### d. The authority of Union law

genuine rule of law in the European context", said Court of Justice in its opinion on the European Union, "implies binding rules which apply uniformly and which It also warned that the Union individual rights". should not be given a looser legal structure than the existing Communities, as otherwise the value of Community law would be diminished.49) It looks as if the drafters of the Treaty took this warning to heart. Article 42 of the Union confirms the main principles actually underlying the direct applicability, significance Community law: of joint responsibility of the national law, precedence over Commission and Member State authorities for implementation of Union law, and possibilities of invoking that law before national courts. Wider access of individuals to the Court of Justice, and continuation of the system of preliminary rulings, will do the rest.

First problem: the fact that legal rules on authority of Union law are uniform does not necessarily mean that this authority will be perceived and endured in the same by all the citizens of the Union. The experience with the Communities has, so far, been very eloquent on this point. Different attitudes on the authority of Community law Italy and England result not only from different assessments of the European Community and its law, but also from different ideas about what authority is like. More uniformity depends on the evolution of ideas that are rooted in century-old traditions and in the way people behave towards their family, the Church, the burgomaster and the tax collector. Complete uniformity seems hardly desirable, but some progress in that direction can be made. As law evasion is nowadays rapidly spreading from South to North, and insolence with regard to public authorities from North to South, we should not despair too quickly.

Second problem: is there any effective stimulus for public authorities to comply with the Union law and to take

share in its implementation? There is, of course, the sanctions provided for by Article 44 of the mechanism of It may help, but it is unwieldy: it requires Draft Treaty. Parliament or Commission, a finding of a persistent violation by the Court, a hearing of the Member State concerned, a draft decision of the European Council, Parliament, and a definitive decision by the by That will probably mean that it can only Council. be used in cases of exceptional gravity. What remains is the possibility for private citizens or undertakings to appeal to direct effect of the Union law over the head of national rules of implementation; experience shows that such a way is sometimes very effective.50) This attractive method is not it cannot be used, for example, if the Union to somebody (e.g. to replant an old deny a right be effective without or if they cannot collaboration of the national administration (e.g. premiums stocking table wines for a certian period). Citizens always run the risk of drawing a blank when they rely too self-propelling qualities of Union much the Compliance with Union law by the Member States will therefore probably be secured in much the same way as the one that ensures the observance of Community law: it is a actually combination of political pressure by the Commission and by interest groups, of legal means, through the threat of legal action by the Commission or by citizens, and of feelings of solidarity; even the most unwilling administration sees after some time that the common interest ought to prevail. No statesman, whatever his (or her) brinkmanship, will easily take the risk of disrupting the European construction.

problem: will the system of sanctions contribute birth of a European Union that has all the characteristics of a federal state? Without engaging in battles on labels, one might nevertheless be realistic enough see the difference between the proposed Union and the that the world has witnessed these last two federal states centuries. No expedition of the Union troops will call the defiant Member State to order. And it is perhaps better so: Robert Schuman's famous speech of May 9, 1950, that triggered off the integration process, sought exactly to displace of troops by more peaceful ways of coming to grips with each other.

I do not rule out, nevertheless, that the proposed system of sanctions has a certain bearing on the legal nature of the Union. 51) For me, it is especially Article 4 par. 4, on penalties against the Member State that persistently violates democratic principles, which gives the Draft Treaty its particular flavour. The Union makes itself, thereby,

responsible for the Member States' carrying on their democratic traditions. Such a situation might have far-reaching effects on the international relations of the Union; but it may be too early to speculate.

## IV The Place of the Judiciary

Draft Treaty, the position of the judiciary This increase of judicial power is in reinforced. to two general ideas which seem to belong to particular due the views expressed in the draft: the mainstream of generalization of judicial review and the judicial protection of human rights. It is pretty obvious that these ideas have been influenced by experience gained in countries constitutional courts. It is also clear that the drafters of Treaty focused their attention exclusively on the more general aspects of the jurisdiction of constitutional courts. is curious to observe, in this connection, that the draft silent on control of regularity of the elections of Members of the European Parliament - a more technical subject but one that could, even in the present situation, very well committed to the care of the courts, and even perhaps to the Court of Justice. In France, the Conseil the care of constitutionnel has jurisdiction over "le contentieux electoral" 52); a similar arrangement would neatly fit in the

proposed Union and, perhaps, be a first little step on the way to uniform electoral procedures. 53)

powers of the Court of Justice are strengthened by the Draft Treaty. This does not result from a reinforcement the Court's position vis-à-vis the national courts, but from the place the Court has in the Union's judiciary: its powers increase primarily at the expense of the powers of the other Union institutions. Is that an advantage? Personally, from sure that general theories about the correct frontier between "the" judicial and "the" political area or between work of "the" courts and "the" legislative bodies can be of any great help.54) So much depends on the situation in which the dividing line is to be traced. It may be true, as Professor Cappelletti puts it in one of his recent books, that there is a general tendency towards an increase of judicial creativity nowadays 55); but such a general trend does not give us a recipe for every single occasion. On the I would not regret a certain growth of whole, however, the actual situation of European judicial in power There are certain things the proposed Union integration. will probably have in common with the existing Communities; and these have been continuously troubled by their weak The Draft Treaty seeks to overcome political structure. but it is, at the very least, questionable this weakness;

whether the proposed institutional changes can achieve such a result. A Union that combines an ambitious program and far-reaching powers with a weak political structure may need a strong judiciary.

is a second reason not to be too cautious in this it is commonly acknowledged that, thus far, the Court of Justice has done its work well. The general layout European law owes more to the patient needlework of the than to the defective legislative machinery or to the declarations of these last years. It was the Court's that developed the legal principles which support law - principles many of which can now be found in like the priority of Community law, the the Draft Treaty, direct effect of Community provisions and the protection of The very idea of legal principle as part of human rights. the law to be observed in the application of the treaties has been introduced and worked out by the Court. Its judgments consistently, and from the very beginning in the early and Steel Treaty, tried to dig up the of the Coal general principles of law that were gradually to form the backbone of the common law for Europe.56) As to further evolutions, there is no need to lack confidence.

Court's position in the famous Will, then, the "équilibre institutionnel" be substantially seems to think so, for the Draft Treaty modifies Parliament the method of appointing the members of the Court (judges and advocates general): under the Union Treaty, half of them will be appointed by Parliament, the other half by the (Article 30 par. 2). The only explanation I have Council been able to find in the parliamentary documents is that such a solution is "fair and realistic".57) It is fair to add, that similar solutions exist in some countries for the appointment of members of the constitutional court.58) The proposal to follow these solutions in the framework of the Union may underestimate the difference between a national and a Community context. Experience shows that politicians usually assume - for reasons I personally fail to understand that the nationality of members of the Court is very The proposed method might thus lead situation where the Council would insist on the appointment of ten or twelve judges on its part, every government represented in the Council wanting, so to say, "his" judge; Parliament would then probably have to add as many, and the Court would become completely unmanageable. If parliamentary influence on the appointment of members of the Court is sought, I should prefer the American system of "advice and judges of the U.S. Supreme Court are appointed by

the President, but the Senate has to give the green light.59) In fact, the American Senate developed a policy of exercising a certain control on the quality and the morality of the President's appointees in order to prevent, in particular, that a none-too-scrupulous administration could monopolize the Court for its own friends. There is no reason why the European Parliament could not play a comparable role.

word about the place of the judiciary in the drafters rely heavily on the Treaty's scheme. The on judicial activities for many things they have in order to get European integration again on the that confidence is not misplaced. They also propose specific ways in which the judiciary would get more involved integration process, as the proposed of the the Court's jurisdiction show; some of these proposals are important and interesting, although some others may disappoint. But all this should not make us forget that real problem does not lie here: it is just feasible to treaty provisions on jurisdiction, and that is perhaps easier than to frame a common policy on nuclear energy, or on road transport, or on river pollution. It is these policies, that Europe is waiting for, alongside of a great however, many other common policies.

European law cannot be made by lawyers alone. That may be a sobering thought for those who like to reflect on the relation between law and politics.

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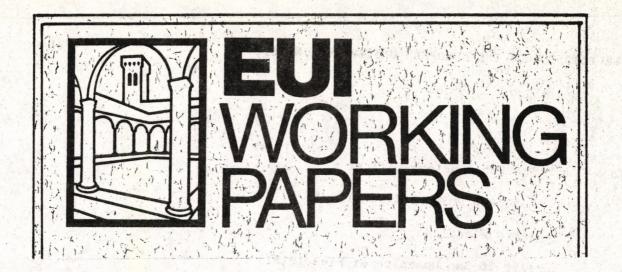
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