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407a. Takes the view that the principle of unanimity is a last resort for the defence of national interests against the supranational imposition of guidelines and decisions that run counter to those interests; takes the view, therefore, that moving from unanimous approval to approval by qualified majority is to go from a situation in which each country’s vote is worth the same to one in which the vote of bigger countries is worth more than the vote of smaller countries; points out that the unanimity principle puts the Member States on an equal footing in the decision-making process, and it is certain that ending this principle will only make the main powers more powerful, reinforcing the existing imbalance between the Member States with regard to decision-making power;

Or. pt