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Subject: Debate Request: Reform of Article 28 of the Constitution / Role of Royal Parents in Marriage Announcement

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to formally request consideration for a parliamentary debate on two specific topics regarding royal marriage protocol under Dutch law.

Topic 1 – Reform of Article 28 of the Constitution

I wish to propose a debate on whether Article 28 of the Dutch Constitution could be reformed to allow a Dutch citizen to request parliamentary authorization for a royal marriage without being in a prior relationship with the royal family member in question. Under current law, only the government can submit such a request after an engagement is announced by the royal family.

Topic 2 – The Exclusive Role of Royal Parents in the Engagement Announcement

I also wish to debate why only the King and Queen (as parents of the royal heir) have the exclusive authority to announce an engagement. The current protocol states that no procedure can begin without this parental announcement. I question whether this exclusive role is still justified under modern constitutional principles.

I understand that under Article 28 of the Constitution, a royal marriage requires parliamentary approval, otherwise the royal member loses succession rights. However, I believe these two topics merit public debate.

Could you please inform me of the proper procedure to submit this request for a parliamentary debate?

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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