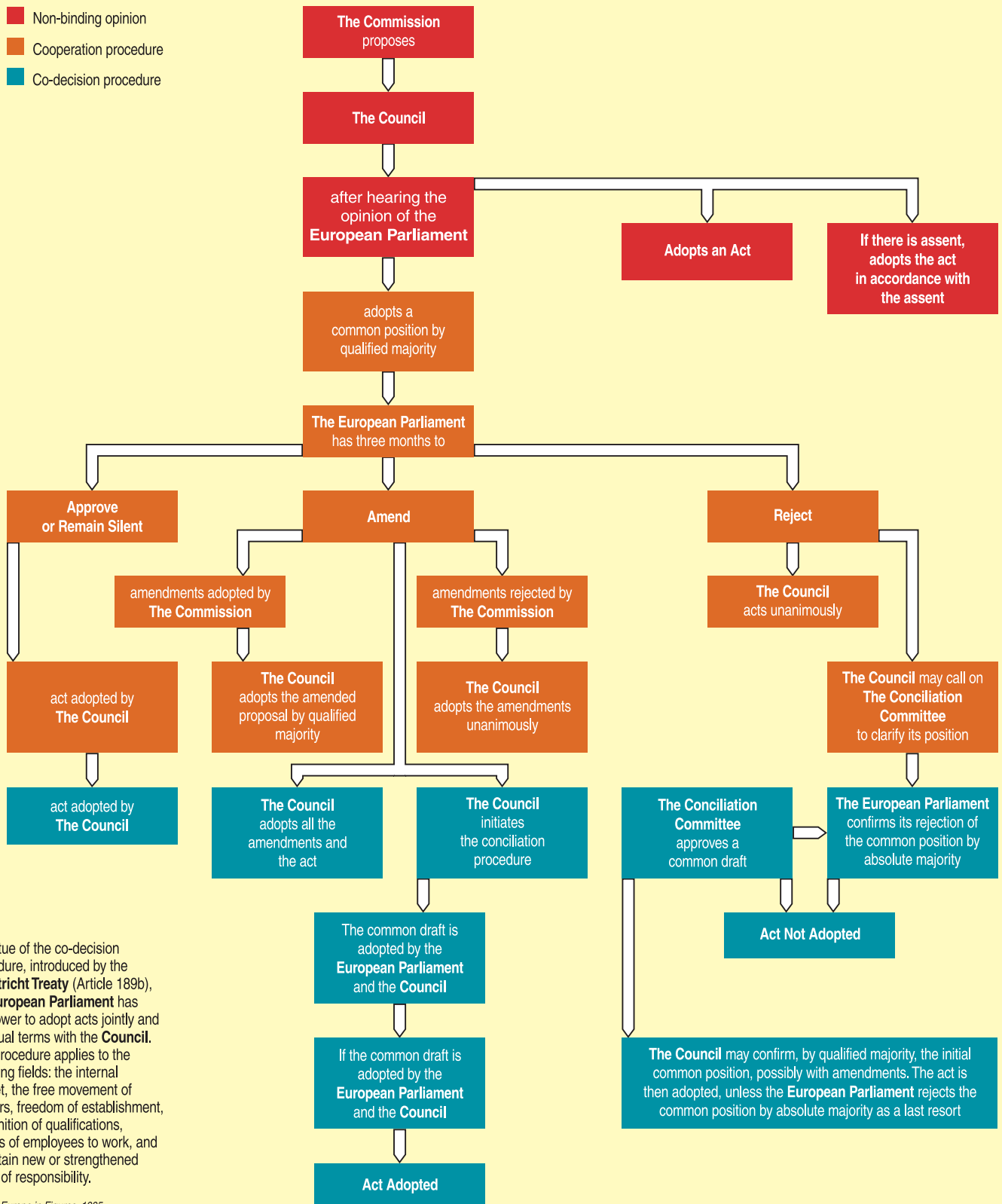


DECISION – MAKING IN THE EU

- Non-binding opinion
- Cooperation procedure
- Co-decision procedure



By virtue of the co-decision procedure, introduced by the **Maastricht Treaty** (Article 189b), the **European Parliament** has the power to adopt acts jointly and on equal terms with the **Council**. This procedure applies to the following fields: the internal market, the free movement of workers, freedom of establishment, recognition of qualifications, access of employees to work, and to certain new or strengthened areas of responsibility.

Source: *Europe in Figures*, 1995