

The Council of Ministers in the European Union

The CM used a system called *Qualified Majority Voting* (QMV) in 1958

Country	Weight
Germany	4
Italy	4
France	4
Netherlands	2
Belgium	2
Luxembourg	1

A proposal required a total weight of at least 12 in order to pass.

How much influence does Luxembourg have in this voting system?

A Simple Apportionment Example

A tiny nation with a population of 29,000 is composed of three states.

The most recent census found the following:

State	Population	% Population
A	11,000	37.9
B	15,000	51.7
C	3,000	10.3

- ▶ If the legislature has 43 members, how many representatives does each state receive?
- ▶ What if the legislature has 44 members?

Elections with more than two alternatives

Wheaton (hypothetically) has just received a \$500 million gift.

The three options with most support are:

- A. Renovate all academic buildings not recently done
- B. Renovate all campus dorms
- C. Slash comprehensive fee dramatically

The committee members rankings are

10	$A > B > C$	6	$C > B > A$
0	$A > C > B$	3	$B > C > A$
6	$C > A > B$	6	$B > A > C$

What do we do with the money?