

## AMENDMENT FORM

### Suggestion for amendment of Article : I-40

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Status : - Member -

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1. OK.
2. OK.
3. Member States shall make civilian and military capabilities available to the Union for the implementation of the common security and defence policy, to contribute to the objectives defined by the Council. Execution of the tasks referred to in this Article may also involve recourse to NATO assets and capabilities as part of the strategic partnership in crisis management established by the EU and NATO. -Those Member States which together establish multinational forces may also make those forces available to the common security and defence policy.

~~Member States shall undertake progressively to improve their military capabilities. A European Armaments, Research and Military Capabilities Agency shall be established to identify operational requirements, to put forward measures to satisfy those requirements, to contribute to identifying and, where appropriate, implementing any measure needed to strengthen the industrial and technological base of the defence sector, to participate in defining a European capabilities and armaments policy, and to assist the Council in evaluating the improvement of military capabilities. Member States shall undertake progressively to improve their military capabilities. A European Capabilities Development, Research and Armaments Agency shall be established, under the Council, to support these efforts including by promoting cooperation and contributing to the development of policies on all related issues.~~

4. Decisions on the implementation of the common security and defence policy, including those initiating a mission as referred to in this Article, shall be adopted by the Council acting unanimously on a proposal from the Union's Minister for Foreign Affairs or from a Member State. The Minister for Foreign Affairs may propose the use of both national resources and Union instruments, together with the Commission where appropriate. The commitment of national and multinational resources for operations will be a decision for the Member State or Member States concerned.

5. The Council may entrust the execution of a task, within the Union framework, to a group of Member States in order to maintain the Union's values and serve its interests. The execution of such a task shall be governed by the provisions of Article [...] of Part Three, Title B, of the Constitution.

6. Delete.

7. Delete.

8. OK.

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**Explanation (if any) :**

3. *It would be desirable to add a reference to Berlin +.*
4. *Repeated amendment: Clarification of the inter-governmental decision-making process.*
6. *Repeated amendment: This text is not sufficiently clear. As described this risks undermining the inclusive, flexible model of ESDP that the EU has agreed.*
7. *Repeated amendment: Common defence, including as a form of enhanced cooperation, is divisive and a duplication of the guarantees that 19 of the 25 Member States will enjoy through NATO.*