

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 1, II part

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Status : - Alternate

Article 1: Principles and objectives

2. The European Union shall define and pursue common policies and Union actions, and shall work for a maximum degree of cooperation in all fields of international relations, in order to:

(a) safeguard the common values, fundamental interests, independence and integrity of the Union;

(b) consolidate and support democracy, the rule of law, human rights, *including economic and social rights*, and international law;

(c) preserve peace, prevent conflicts and strengthen international security, in conformity with the principles of the United Nations Charter;

(d) foster the sustainable economic and social development of developing countries, with the primary aim of eradicating poverty, particularly in low-income countries;

(e) encourage the integration of all countries into the world economy, including through the progressive abolition of restrictions on international trade;

(f) develop international measures to preserve and improve the environment and global natural resources, and ensure sustainable development;

(g) assist populations, countries and regions confronting man-made or natural disasters;

(h) promote an international system based on stronger multilateral cooperation and good global governance.

Explanation (if any) :