

FICHE AMENDEMENT

Proposition d'amendement à l'article 1.3 (parti II titre B)

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Article 1.3

The Council and the Commission shall ensure coherence between the different areas of the European Unions external action and between external action and internal policies when the latter have an impact on developing countries. They shall take into account the principles and objectives listed above in the development and implementation of external aspects of other Union policies.

justification :

The Maastricht treaty "coherence" as the need for Community policies to take development objectives into account if they have an impact on development countries. This should not be confused with the concept of "consistency", introduced in the Amsterdam Treaty and defined this as the need for all Community policies to be consistent with the objectives of the CFSP. The European Council of March 2003 underlined its commitment to promote coherence in its internal and external policies while implementing the goals and objectives to which it has agreed within international fora. The principle of coherence between internal and external policies must be enshrined in the future Constitutional Treaty.