

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : Part III, Title V, Article 192 (ex Art. 5)

Suggestion for protocol :

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Status : - Member - ~~Alternate~~

1. The Union's ~~Minister for Foreign Affairs~~ European External Representative, who shall chair the Foreign Affairs Council, shall contribute through his proposals towards the preparation of the common foreign and security policy and shall ensure implementation of the ~~European~~ CFSP Decisions adopted by the European Council and the Council.

2. For matters relating to the common foreign and security policy, the Union shall be represented by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. When appropriate, and acting on behalf of and at the request of the Council, he shall conduct political dialogue on the Union's behalf and shall express the Union's position in international organisations and at international conferences.

Explanation (if any) :

192.1 The title of Minister for Foreign Affairs is misleading, as there is no EU Government. European External Representative was the formula used in the External Action Working Group report.

To make clear the distinct nature of CFSP Decisions.

192.2 To make clear the “European Foreign Minister” is accountable to the Council and does not replace the right of Member States to speak on their own behalf in international organisations.