

## AMENDMENT FORM

**Suggestion for amendment of Article: III-195 (ex Article 8)**

**By Mrs Lena Hjelm-Wallén and Mr Sven-Olof Petersson, government representatives and Mr Sören Lekberg, national parliament representative.**

**Status : - Member: Hjelm-Wallén and Lekberg  
- Alternate: Petersson**

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1. Any Member State, the Minister for Foreign Affairs ~~and , or the Minister with the support of the Commission,~~ may refer to the Council any question relating to the common foreign and security policy and may submit proposals to the Council.<sup>1</sup>
2. In cases requiring a rapid decision, ~~the Chair the Minister for Foreign Affairs, of the Minister's own motion, or at the request of a Member State,~~ shall convene an extraordinary Council meeting within forty-eight hours or, in an emergency, within a shorter period.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Member States, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Commission should equally be able to refer a question or submit proposals to the Council.

<sup>2</sup> It should be the responsibility of the Chair to convene extraordinary Council meetings. The right to request extraordinary Council meetings need not be spelled out in the Constitution.