

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : Article 10

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Article 10

1. When the Union has defined a common approach within the meaning of Article 29(5), there *shall* **<may>** be close coordination between the activities of [*(Delete) the Union's Minister for Foreign Affairs and*] the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States.

2. The diplomatic missions of the Member States and the *delegations* **<overseas offices>** of the Union shall cooperate in third countries and in international organisations, and *shall* **<may>** contribute to formulating and implementing a common approach.

Explanation (if any) : This amendment underlines that the offices of the Commission overseas are subject to ministerial control.

The use of 'may' allows rather than obliges member states to coordinate their policies.