

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article :

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CHAPTER 1: COMMON FOREIGN AND SECURITY POLICY

A. Common foreign policy

Article 6

1. Where the international situation requires operational action by the Union, the Council shall take the necessary decisions. A decision shall lay down the objectives, scope, the means to be made available to the Union, if necessary its duration, and the conditions for implementation of the action.
2. If there is a change in circumstances having a substantial effect on a question subject to such a decision, the Council shall review the principles and objectives of the action and take the necessary decisions. As long as the Council has not acted, the decision on action by the Union shall stand.
3. Such decisions shall commit the Member States in the positions they adopt and in the conduct of their activity.
4. Whenever there is any plan to adopt a national position or take national action pursuant to such a decision, information shall be provided in time to allow, if necessary, for prior consultations within the Council. The obligation to provide prior information shall not apply to measures which are merely a national transposition of Council decisions.
5. In cases of imperative need arising from changes in the situation and failing a Council

decision, Member States may take the necessary measures as a matter of urgency having regard to the general objectives of the decision on action by the Union. The Member State concerned shall inform the Council immediately of any such measures.

6. Should there be any major difficulties in implementing such a decision, a Member State shall refer them to the Council which shall discuss them and seek appropriate solutions. Such solutions shall not run counter to the objectives of the action or impair its effectiveness.