

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 8, Part II, Title B

Suggestion for protocol :

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Status : - Member

1. Any Member State or the **Union** Minister for Foreign Affairs, acting alone or together with the Commission, may refer to the Council any question relating to the common foreign and security policy and may submit proposals to the Council.
2. In cases requiring a rapid decision, ~~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 **shall be convened, at the request of the Union Minister for Foreign Affairs or a Member State**, within forty-eight hours or, in an emergency, within a shorter period.

Explanation (if any) : This amendment is consistent with that proposed to article 5 of Part II, Title B, regarding the chairing of the Foreign Affairs Council.