

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : **Part II, Title B, Article 18**

Suggestion for protocol :

By Ms / Mr : **Hain**

Status : - Member - ~~Alternate~~

Art 18:1 Within the framework of the decisions adopted in accordance with Article 17 of this Title, ~~the Council may entrust the implementation of a task to a group of~~ Member States having the necessary capability and ~~the desire the willingness~~ to undertake the task will contribute national and multinational resources to the operation. Non-EU states may participate in accordance with the modalities agreed by the Council, which include arrangements for management of the operations. ~~Those Member States shall agree between themselves on the management of the task.~~

~~18.2 The Council shall be regularly informed by the Member States participating in the task on its progress and, should the completion of the task involve major new consequences or require amendment of the objective, scope and conditions for implementation agreed by the Council under Article 17(2) of this Title, the Member States participating shall refer the matter to the Council forthwith. In such cases, the Council shall adopt the necessary decisions.~~

Explanation (if any) :

The Treaty provisions should reflect the permanent arrangements for ESDP agreed at Nice, including the participation of non-EU states and the agreement on the modalities for operation management (hence there is no requirement for 18.2 given our amended 18.1).