

## AMENDMENT FORM

**Suggestion for amendment of Article : Part III, Title V, Article 210 (ex Art. 22)**

**Suggestion for protocol :**

**By Ms / Mr : Hain**

**Status :        - Member                      - Alternate**

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1. *Okay*
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3.        A ~~European~~ **CFSP Decision** of the Council shall establish the specific procedures for guaranteeing rapid access to appropriations in the Union budget for urgent financing of initiatives in the framework of the common foreign and security policy, and in particular for preparatory activities for tasks as referred to in [Article I-40(1)].

Preparatory activities for tasks as referred to in [Article I-40(1)] which are not charged to the Union budget shall be financed by a start-up fund made up of Member States' contributions.

The Council shall adopt by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Minister for Foreign Affairs European decisions establishing:

- (a)    the procedures for setting up and financing the fund, in particular the amounts allocated to the fund and the procedures for reimbursement;
- (b)    the procedures for administering the fund;
- (c)    the financial control procedures.

When it is planning a task as referred to in [Article I-40(1)] which cannot be charged to the Union's budget, the Council shall authorise the Minister for Foreign Affairs to use the fund. The Minister for Foreign Affairs shall report to the Council on the implementation of the remit.

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**Explanation (if any) :**

*To make clear the distinct nature of CFSP instruments.*