

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : III-213, paragraph 1

Part III of the Constitutional Treaty

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<i>Article III-213, paragraph 1</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
1. Union policy in the sphere of development cooperation shall be conducted within the framework of the principles and objectives of the Union's external action as set out in Article 1 of this Title. The Union's development cooperation policy and that of the Member States complement and reinforce each other.	1. Union policy in the sphere of development cooperation shall be conducted <i>with all development countries as agreed by the OECD</i> , within the framework of the principles and objectives of the Union's external action as set out in Article 1 of this Title. The Union's development cooperation policy and that of the Member States complement and reinforce each other.

Explanation (if any) :

As the chapter on economic, financial and technical co-operation states that it does not include the co-operation with developing countries, it is important to insure clarity in the coverage of the different parts of chapter 3 to specify that development co-operation will be targeting all developing countries. The OECD (DAC list of developing countries) give a clear definition of developing countries. To include such a reference in article III-213 would considerably improve its clarity as developing country, centre of this article, are not defined at all presently.