

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : Chapter 3

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CHAPTER 3: COOPERATION WITH THIRD COUNTRIES AND HUMANITARIAN AID

II. ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION WITH THIRD COUNTRIES

Article 28

1. Without prejudice to the other provisions of this Treaty, and in particular those of Articles 25 to 27 of this Title concerning development cooperation, the Union shall, within its spheres of competence, carry out economic, financial and technical cooperation measures with third countries. Such measures shall be consistent with the development policy of the Union. The Union's measures and those of the Member States shall complement and reinforce each other. They shall ~~[DELETE: be carried out within the framework of the principles and objectives of the Union's external action as set out in Article 1 of this Title]~~ **IN PARTICULAR BENEFIT THE POOREST PEOPLE IN THE POOREST NATIONS IN THE WORLD.**
1. The European Parliament and the Council shall, in accordance with the legislative procedure, adopt the European laws and European framework laws necessary for the implementation of paragraph 1.
3. Within their respective spheres of competence, the Union and the Member States shall cooperate with third countries and the competent international organisations. The arrangements for Union cooperation may be the subject of agreements between the Union and the third parties concerned, which shall be negotiated and concluded pursuant to Article 33 of this Title. The Council shall act unanimously for the association agreements referred to in Article 32(2) of this Title and for the agreements to be concluded with the States which are candidates for accession to the Union.

The first subparagraph shall be without prejudice to Member States' competence to negotiate in international bodies and to conclude international agreements.