

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article III-322 (2)

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Article III-322 (ex Article M)

2. In the framework of the common foreign and security policy, the request of the Member States which wish to establish enhanced cooperation between themselves shall be addressed to the Council. It shall be forwarded to the Minister for Foreign Affairs, who shall give an opinion on whether the enhanced cooperation is consistent with the Union's common foreign and security policy, and to the Commission, which shall give its opinion in particular on whether the enhanced cooperation proposed is consistent with other Union policies. It shall also be forwarded to the European Parliament for information.

Authorisation to proceed with enhanced cooperation shall be granted by a decision of the Council, **acting in accordance with Article III-196 of Part Three of the Constitution.**

Explanation:

Authorisation of enhanced cooperation in CFSP should be granted by the Council according the general decision-making rules in CFSP, as defined in Article III-196.