

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article X

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Article X Solidarity clause¹

In application of the principle of solidarity, the Union shall mobilise **and coordinate** all the instruments at its disposal, including military resources, to **prevent the threat of international terrorism in accordance with international law. In the event of a terrorist attack, all the instruments at the Union's disposal will be mobilised to protect the civilian population and assist a Member State in its territory at the request of its political authorities.**²

~~—— prevent the terrorist threat;~~

~~—— protect democratic institutions and the civilian population from any terrorist attack;~~

~~—— Assist a Member State in its territory at the request of its political authorities in the event of a terrorist attack.~~

This provision shall not prejudice the specific character of the security and defence policy of the Member States.³ The detailed rules for implementing this provision appear in Article X of Part Two, Title B, of the Constitution.

¹ Provisions regarding assistance in case of natural disasters should be included in the Treaty

² The solidarity clause is unclear in some respects, in particular on the issue of what type, when, and under what conditions action should take place. The solidarity clause is furthermore a declaration of political intent, and should not enumerate a list of tasks that are neither alternatives to each other, nor mutually exclusive. Our suggested amendment clarifies this.

³ This article is not to be interpreted as a mutual defence clause. Such an interpretation would conflict with the specific character of the security and defence policy of certain Member States.