

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 19

Suggestion for Part I

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Article 19 : The Foreign Minister

1. The European Council, deciding by qualified majority, with the agreement of the President of the Commission, shall appoint the Union's Foreign Minister, **who shall be a member and one of the Vice-Presidents of the European Commission. The Foreign Minister shall resign, if the European Council or the President of the Commission so requests.** ~~He shall conduct the Union's common foreign and security policy.~~
2. The Foreign Minister shall contribute by his proposals to the development of the common foreign policy, which he/**she** shall carry out as mandated by the Council. The same shall apply to the common security and defence policy.
3. ~~The Foreign Minister shall be one of the Vice Presidents of the Commission. He~~ **Within the Commission, the Foreign Minister** shall be responsible ~~there~~ for handling ~~external relations~~ and for co-ordinating the ~~other aspects of the~~ Union's external action. In exercising these responsibilities within the Commission, ~~and for these aspects alone,~~ he shall be bound by Commission procedures.

Explanation (if any) :