

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : Part III, Title V, Article 218 (ex Art. 30)

Suggestion for protocol :

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Status : - Member - ~~Alternate~~

1. The Union's operations in the field of humanitarian aid shall be conducted within the framework of the principles and objectives of the external action of the Union as set out in [Article 1] of this Title. Such operations shall be intended to provide ad hoc assistance, relief and protection, to save and preserve life and to reduce or prevent suffering for people in third countries and victims of man-made and natural disasters, in order to meet the humanitarian needs resulting from these different situations. The Union's actions and those of the Member States shall complement and reinforce each other.

2. Humanitarian aid operations shall be conducted in compliance with the principles of international humanitarian law, in particular the principles of humanity, neutrality and impartiality ~~impartiality and non-discrimination~~.

3. *Okay*

4. *Okay*

5. *Delete.*

Explanation (if any) :

Para 1: Our addition makes the objective of humanitarian aid more explicit, to reflect current arrangements governing EU humanitarian aid.

Para 2: Our addition makes an explicit reference to the basic principles of humanitarian law.

Para 5: The idea of establishing a European Voluntary Humanitarian Aid Corps should have no place within the EU's humanitarian action.