

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article :

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Article III-218 (ex Article 30)

Change as follows:

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 **save and preserve life, reduce or prevent suffering and safeguard the integrity and dignity of victims of natural and man-made disasters during the crises and in their immediate aftermath**. 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, impartiality, independence, and non-discrimination. Humanitarian aid shall be determined solely on the basis of the needs of victims**

3. A European law or framework law shall establish the necessary measures defining the framework within which the Union's humanitarian aid operations shall be implemented.

4. The Union may conclude with third countries and competent international organisations any agreement helping to achieve the objectives referred to in Article 1. Such agreements shall be negotiated and concluded pursuant to [Article 33] of this Title.
The first subparagraph shall be without prejudice to Member States' competence to negotiate in international bodies and to conclude international agreements.

~~5. In order to establish a framework for joint contributions from young Europeans to the humanitarian actions of the Union, a European Voluntary Humanitarian Aid Corps shall be set up.~~

~~The European Parliament and the Council, in accordance with the legislative procedure, shall adopt a European law determining the rules and operation of the Corps.~~