

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 318 (ex Article I), part III of the Constitution

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~~Article III-318 (ex Article I)~~

~~The provisions of Article [I 43] of the Constitution and Articles [III 319 to III 325] below shall not apply to the forms of cooperation in the area of defence provided for by Article [I 40]. Such forms of cooperation shall be governed specifically by Articles [III 206 to III 209 (ex 18 to 21)].~~

Explanation (if any) :

We do not consider cooperation proposed in Article I-40 paragraphs 6 and 7 necessary. However, if a sufficient number of Member States wish to establish closer cooperation in the area of defence it is essential that the general provisions on enhanced cooperation of the Constitution apply. This would fully guarantee the openness of the activities in the field of security and defence policy, the unity of the Union's institutional system as well as the rights and obligations of all Member States. This Article as well as Articles III-208 and III-209 should accordingly be deleted and Article I-40 paragraphs 6 and 7 amended.