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1. Name

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2. Organisation

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3. Type of Organisation

Member of Public

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6. What subject area of the Foreign Policy Report does your evidence relate to?

Global Issues

Security and Defence

Multilateral Order

Democracy and Human Rights

European Neighbourhood Policy and Regional Agreements

Strategic Partnerships

7. What are the comparative advantages/disadvantages of working through the EU in the area you wish to comment on, rather than the UK working independently?

These areas are linked by the EU objectives of securing peace and stability and promoting the prosperity that is indispensable to both. The UK can only work on the margins in these areas on its own - we must have the multiplying effect of others working similarly and the EU working collectively. We have specific bilateral interests and serve these bilaterally. But the big themes require much more. The EU does not deliver as much as it could, but it is undoubtedly more than the sum of its parts. If it did not exist we would be seeking to set up an alternative.

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8. In what areas of global affairs does the EU add value or deliver impact or not on behalf of the UK?

See above

9. How effective is the EU at combining its foreign, defence, economic and civil contingency policy instruments to deliver best effect in foreign policy? What, if anything, should it do differently?

More integration in defence capability - so that supplying specialist needs in an emergency is not so hand to mouth (eg air refuelling and air transport in Mali).

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10. How effective are the EU's delivery mechanisms? Would any changes make them more effective, and if so, which ones and why?

No Response

11. Would a different division of EU and Member State competence in a particular area produce more effective policies? If so, how and why?

No Response

12. How might the national interest be served by action being taken in this field at a different level e.g. regional, national, UN, NATO, OECD, G20 – either in addition or as an alternative to action at EU level?

No Response

13. What future challenge/opportunities might we face in this area of policy and what impact might these have on the balance of competence between the UK and the EU?

No Response

14. Are there any general points you wish to make which are not captured above?

No Response