

28th November, 1967

To: ASG(PA)

From: W.M. Newton

Subject: Report on Future Tasks of the Alliance

Yesterday afternoon Fritz Menne told me that he was quite sure that he had a correct text for this report and that he was going to put it forthwith into the works for distribution. In reply to my query he said he saw no need to submit the text to the private office for clearance: his text tallied almost exactly with that of the Americans. (I had, of course, after your phone call on Saturday, already discussed a number of passages with Newlin over the phone.)

Perhaps I lack something of Menne's confidence about being sure of the text (which I had repeatedly offered to re-check with him), but even if I were sure of the text, I would think that he ought to consult with you and the private office about a cover note: isn't there an understanding that this will be done?

Having flagged this to you, I don't propose to interfere.

WN/GD