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COMMITTEE OF THREE

DECISIONS REACHED DURING MEETINGS HELD
ON 20th-22nd JUNE, 1956, AT THE
PALAIS DE CHAILLOT, PARIS

- (1) A questionnaire (CT-D/1) will be circulated to all countries as soon as possible with the request that replies be sent to the Secretary General by 20th August.
- (2) A Memorandum containing guidance and explanatory notes to assist countries in the preparation of their replies to some of the questions will be circulated as soon as possible after the issuance of the questionnaire.
- (3) The Committee will hold its second session beginning September 10th and possibly lasting for two weeks, to consider the replies received, to consult with Governments, individually or in the Council, and to start with the drafting of the Report.
- (4) In order to assist in the analysis of the replies to the questionnaire, an advance party will meet in Paris during the week beginning 3rd September.
- (5) In order to assist the Committee in the preparation of its Report a few highly qualified experts will be approached to serve as consultants on particular questions. In this connection it was suggested that Mr. Lange ask the Head of the Norwegian Research Council for a suggestion as to a possible consultant on scientific education; that Mr. Pearson approach Professor Lincoln Gordon of Harvard University to serve as a consultant on economic questions; that Dr. Martino approach Professor Carli on the same subject; and finally that Mr. Marjolin might also be approached on behalf of the Committee of Three.

The Terms of Reference of these consultants will be determined by the Committee. After their provisional agreement has been obtained they will be invited officially in writing by the Secretary General, on behalf of the Committee, to serve as consultants for a period of about 2 months beginning in August. The Secretary General is to specify, furthermore, that NATO will reimburse travel expenses and will pay a daily allowance of an amount which will be settled later.

- (6) The International Staff is to prepare NATSCA File N° of a chapter for the Report on what NATO has done so far in the non-military field.
- (7) The International Staff is to prepare as a background document for the work of the Committee a list of political and economic questions which have been put before the Council in the past, and of the results achieved. This list is to be divided in:

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- (a) questions submitted purely for the purpose of information,
(b) questions submitted for information and discussion, and
(c) questions on which action was taken after discussion.
- (8) The International Staff is to prepare a study of the machinery for settlement of disputes between States as it exists in other organizations, with particular reference to the Organization of American States.
- (9) The International Staff is to prepare a study of the possible implications for NATO if it were to become a regional organization in the terms of Chapter 8 of the United Nations Charter.
- (10) The Committee's activities will, as far as possible, be concentrated in Paris. The Committee do not intend to travel to the different capitals as had originally been suggested.
- (11) Members of the Committee will informally contact Governments of those countries which are members of OEEC but not of NATO, in the following manner:
- Mr. Pearson will contact the Irish Government.
Mr. Lange will contact the Swedish Government.
Dr. Martino will contact the Governments of Austria and Switzerland, and the Government of Spain as a prospective member of OEEC.
- (12) Dr. Martino and Mr. Pearson will contact the Secretary of the NATO Parliamentary Committee in London during the week beginning 25th June.
- (13) During their meeting in September the Committee will not hear individuals or associations but will consider any suggestions which are submitted in writing.
- (14) The Secretary is to write a letter in the name of the Committee of Three to the Secretary General of the Atlantic Treaty Association, on the occasion of its meeting in Milan 11th-15th September, indicating that the Committee would welcome any suggestions which might come out of the Association's meeting, especially in the field of cultural co-operation and information and which might be considered by the Committee when drafting its report.
- (15) The Committee of Three has been approached by the Director of the International Refugee Organization with the request that the Committee consider recommending an increase in the contribution of NATO countries to IRO. It was agreed that the Committee would consider this question favourably.
- (16) It was provisionally agreed that the outline of the Report should be as set out at annex.
- (17) For the preparation of the chapter on cultural relations, the results of the meeting of Heads of Cultural Departments, which is to take place in July, will have to be taken into account.

* See para 7) 5/7/56 attached to this document

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(18) The Report will be submitted to the Council in Permanent Session in November. A special meeting of Foreign Ministers to receive the report is not deemed necessary. The Report is to be discussed by the Council during its Ministerial Session in December; two days might be devoted to this discussion.

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DRAFT OUTLINE OF THE REPORT BY THE COMMITTEE OF THREE

- I. INTRODUCTION
(The political aims of the Alliance to be drafted by Mr. Pearson.)
- II. SURVEY OF NON-MILITARY CO-OPERATION AS CARRIED OUT BY NATO IN THE PAST
(To be prepared by the Secretariat.)
- III. THE MACHINERY OF NATO
(A discussion on the question whether the present machinery is adequate and what improvements could be envisaged.)
- IV. CONSULTATION IN THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC FIELD
- V. THE RELATION TO OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
- VI. CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF CULTURAL RELATIONS AND INFORMATION
- VII. RECOMMENDATIONS