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Summary Record of a Private Meeting of the Council  
held on Wednesday, 28th November, 1962 at 11.00 a.m.

- I. Cuba
- II. United States Assessment of Overall East/West Relations.

I. CUBA

The UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE recalled that since the last discussion of the Council on 20th November, Mr. Kennedy, informed by Mr. Khrushchev that he would remove the IL28 bombers from Cuba, had announced the raising of the quarantine. United States-Soviet talks were now going on in New York on measures for the verification of the removal of the offensive weapons and safeguards against their re-introduction. Mr. Khrushchev had further stated his intention of withdrawing certain Soviet personnel manning these weapons. United States surveillance was continuing discreetly. The United States was also "holding the line" against flights from the Soviet bloc to Havana. The bulk of the United States ships used for the quarantine operation would remain in the Caribbean, and it was hoped that ships from other OAS countries would also remain on training operations.

2. Neither the United States nor the OAS could give a formal pledge not to invade Cuba, until satisfactory verification measures and safeguards against the re-introduction of offensive weapons had been agreed.

II. UNITED STATES ASSESSMENT OF OVERALL EAST/WEST RELATIONS

3. The BELGIAN REPRESENTATIVE much regretted that developments in the Congo, which Mr. Spack was discussing in New York, would make it impossible for Mr. Spack to be present on Friday, 30th November.

4. The GERMAN REPRESENTATIVE said that his Ministry of Foreign Affairs would send Ministerialdirektor Dr. Müller-Hofbach.

de mémoireBERLIN CONTINGENCY PLANNINGI. Basic Documents

	<u>Document</u>		<u>Action required</u>
(a)	DC/61/144	Instructions to NATO Military Authorities	
(b)		WARGON plans (B, C, D, E) NATO plan (NATO/12/15/61)	Approval by Council
(c)	DCR-47-62	Standing Group appraisal of Commanders' plans	Council takes note
(d)	DC/62/51	Secretary General's comments	Council decision on lines set out in paragraph 7
(e)	OES, CTS 62-9	NATO Tripartite relationships	Approval by Council
(f)	OES, CTS 62-10	3-Power replies to questions on (e) above	Ascertain whether Delegations satisfied
(g)	DC/62/524	4-Power paper "Preferred Sequence of Action"	Council takes note subject to further clarification by 3 Powers as necessary

II. Subsidiary Questions

- (a) Alert problem
- (b) 4-Power paper to be submitted on action in event of interference with German access
- (c) Action required in event of separate Soviet/GDR peace treaty: proposals to be submitted by 4 Powers
- (d) Possible action in UN in Phase II: 4 Powers to submit proposals
- (e) National or tripartite naval measures in Phase II to complement WARGON plans: 3 Powers to submit proposals

- (f) Legal implications. Study completed by Legal Adviser, to be circulated separately to Permanent Representatives
- (g) Readiness maritime shipping organisations. ? To consider in context of alert
- (h) Provision for keeping Council informed in event of crisis. ? To be recorded as Council decision