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MEMORANDUM FOR : Secretary General, North Atlantic Treaty Organisation

Attention : Executive Secretary

SUBJECT : SACLANT's Comments on the United Kingdom's Plan for Accelerated Force Build-up

References : (a) PG/61/704, Annex F
(b) PG/61/722
(c) PG/61/730

SACLANT has commented as follows on the United Kingdom's plan for accelerated force build-up.

1. Para. 2 of reference (a). SACLANT's recommendations were based on forces actually earmarked for SACLANT by the United Kingdom in their reply to ARQ-60.

2. SACLANT notes that the United Kingdom would be willing to meet SACLANT's requirements, at least in part, upon request as a matter of urgency.

3. With respect to infrastructure, the United Kingdom does not indicate the estimated completion dates for two of the three accepted projects. Every expediting action should be taken to assure prompt completion of the Plymouth Terminal of NA-28 since the Brest Terminal is now complete. Similarly the Northwood Terminal for NA-11 should be expedited to assure completion concurrently with that of the Lisbon Terminal, for which the P and P Committee is now considering the fund request. The indicated improvement of completion date of Anthorn VLF is noted. However, the vital importance of this facility requires continuous efforts to attain even earlier completion, if possible."

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