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ACTION SHEET
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POLITICAL COMMITTEE

Meeting held on Monday, 26th June, 1972 at 3.30 p.m.

ACTION SHEET

I. PREPARATIONS FOR A CSCE

The COMMITTEE:

(1) noted the following contributions:

- by the Netherlands Representative reporting recent consultations on European security between Netherlands and Bulgarian officials in Sofia from 13th to 16th June, and between Netherlands and Swiss officials in The Hague on 19th June;
- by the Belgian Representative reporting a recent conversation on preparations for a CSCE between a member of the Belgian Embassy in Washington and a Soviet diplomat in the United States;
- by the German Representative regarding the Bulgarian position on the Bonn Ministerial Communiqué and on questions of CSCE;
- by the Canadian Representative reporting comments made on the Bonn Communiqué by the Polish Ambassador in Ottawa during recent talks with Canadian Foreign Ministry officials;

(2) noted that the Yugoslav and Japanese Ambassadors in Ankara had sought explanations from the Turkish Foreign Ministry regarding the Bonn Communiqué;

(3) noted that the Turkish Authorities had gained the impression from recent approaches made by Soviet, Romanian and ~~Czechoslovak~~ officials in Ankara that their main purpose was to seek to identify divergencies between members of the Alliance;

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- (4) noted that no similar approaches had been made by Czechoslovak Representatives to the Norwegian, United Kingdom and United States Governments;
- (5) agreed to consider at its next meeting how member countries might reply to questions put by the Arab countries or Israel regarding Allied views on their participation in a CSCE;
- (6) was informed by the United States Representative that a representative of the Department of State's Office of International Conferences would discuss organizational and administrative arrangements for a CSCE with Finnish officials in Helsinki from 3th to 14th July;
- (7) had circulated to it by the United Kingdom Representative a redraft suggested by the British Embassy in Warsaw for the section on Poland in the United States background paper of 7th April on Practices of Warsaw Pact States relating to the Freer Movement of People.

II. EAST-WEST VISITS

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted a contribution by the United States Representative on his Secretary of State's forthcoming visit to Romania, Hungary and Yugoslavia;
- (2) was informed by the Belgian Representative that his Foreign Minister would visit Bulgaria from 3rd to 6th July.

III. VISIT OF PRESIDENT TITO TO THE SOVIET UNION AND POLAND

The COMMITTEE:

noted contributions by the United States and Netherlands Representatives reporting on President Tito's visit to the Soviet Union and to Poland respectively.

IV. COUNCIL MEETING OF COMECON - 29TH JUNE

The COMMITTEE:

was informed by the United States and Netherlands Representatives that the Yugoslav and Romanian Delegations at this meeting would be led by their respective Prime Ministers.

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V. POSSIBLE VISIT BY CHIEFS OF MISSION ACCREDITED IN MOSCOW TO THE BALTIC STATES

The COMMITTEE:

was informed that the Turkish Ambassador in Moscow had been instructed not to accept a recent invitation to visit Estonia; and that the United Kingdom Ambassador had not replied to a similar invitation but, if asked, would say that he had a prior engagement.

VI. CULTURAL RELATIONS

The COMMITTEE:

agreed that it would be for the Senior Political Committee to continue discussing, within the overall work programme, the Italian proposal for a meeting of the Political Committee with Experts presented at the meeting of 6th June; however, if no early decision was reached by the SPC, discussion might be resumed in the Political Committee on the proposal.

VII. DATE AND AGENDA OF AUTUMN MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE WITH DISARMAMENT EXPERTS

The COMMITTEE:

requested delegations to seek instructions before the meeting of 11th July on:

- (a) the proposed dates of Tuesday, 10th, and Wednesday, 11th October;
- (b) the following proposed agenda items:
 - (i) China and the CCD
 - (ii) World Disarmament Conference
 - (iii) National Implementation of the Treaty on Biological Weapons
 - (iv) Chemical Warfare
 - (v) Comprehensive Test Ban

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VIII. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 4th July at 10.30 a.m.

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1110 Brussels

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