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SUMMARY RECORD AC/127-R/404

ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

Meeting held at the NATO Headquarters, Brussels, on Thursday 6th September, 1973 at 3.15 p.m.

DECISION SHEET

I. PREPARATION OF THE SECOND STAGE OF THE CSCE

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) took note of the information provided by the Danish Representative on the last meeting of the EEC Ad Hoc Group, held in Copenhagen on the 3rd and 4th September, 1973, and noted that draft Agendas for the first three economic sub-committees had been circulated to delegations during the meetings;
- (2) noted that a United States contribution on the questions relating to science and technology would be circulated shortly.

II. ORGANIZATION OF THE FUTURE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) invited delegations to consider the provisional schedule of meetings up to end-1973 (see attached Annex);
- (2) noted that the United States would make known by 13th September the views of its national experts on the interim report on the Trends of Defence Expenditures of the Soviet Union (AC/127-WP/360);
- (3) noted that the Economic Directorate would be preparing, in tabular form a preliminary list of the agreements on economic co-operation concluded

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recently between the Soviet Union and Western countries; once the available information had been assembled in this way, delegations would be asked to send in any relevant additional information;

- (4) agreed that when it came to consider the document on Soviet Indebtedness (AC/127-WP/358) on 20th September, it would return to the question of the conditions governing credits granted to the East by members of the Alliance;
- (5) referred to the desirability of organizing, for end-January 1974, a symposium on energy problems (oil and other industries) particularly those of the Soviet Union;
- (6) noted the comments by the German Delegation on the paragraphs dealing with transport in AC/127-WP/359 (Note No. 13, page 20) (annexed to the present summary record).

III. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 13th September, 1973 at 10.15 a.m. and 3 p.m.

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ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

NB: This schedule does not take account of:

- (a) any work which may be entrusted to the Committee in connection with the CSCE;
- (b) studies relating to burden sharing.

September

- Thursday, 13th Examination by the Economic Committee, before submission to the Council, of:
 - (1) report AC/127-WP/361 on Communist aid to the Third World;
 - (2) document AC/127-WP/363 on Poland.
- Thursday, 20th Examination by the Economic Committee of report AC/127-WP/358 on Soviet Indebtedness.
- Thursday, 27th (to be decided)

October

Thursday, 4th (to be decided)

Thursday, 11th Study of Hungary in conjunction with experts.

Friday, 12th Study of Bulgaria in conjunction with experts.

Thursday, 18th (to be decided)

Thursday, 25th Soviet defence expenditure.

and Meeting with experts. The following 3 documents

Friday, 26th may be put on the Agenda:

- ED/EC/73/79 of 28th August, The Soviet Price System;
- ED/EC/73/80 of 17th July, The Leningrad Thesis;
- ED/EC/73/107 of 1st August, Summary record of the meeting held on 28th and 29th June.

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November

Thursday, 8th Consideration by the Economic Committee of:

- (1) the Annual Report on East-West trade;
- (2) the half-yearly report on credits granted to the East at end-1972;
- towards the end of the month, study of China in conjunction with experts.

December

- A Report on Albania is expected from the Italian Delegation.

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AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY THE GERMAN DELEGATION TO DOCUMENT AC/127-WP/359 OF 4TH JULY, 1973

Reference: Note No. 13 (Transport and Communications)

Paragraph 3(ii)

Delete: "larger road freight transport quotas, freedom of transit, return journey loading,"

Paragraph 3(iii), sub-paragraph (a)

Between brackets: delete the words "vehicle weight, size and technical requirements".