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ACTION SHEET
AC/119-R(72)60

POLITICAL COMMITTEE

Meeting held on Tuesday, 11th July, 1972 at 10.30 a.m.

ACTION SHEET

I. CSCE AND MBFR

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted a contribution by the United States Representative reporting a recent conversation on CSCE and MBFR between the First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy in Washington, Mr. Sokolov, and a State Department official;
- (2) noted a contribution by the Greek Representative reporting a conversation on MBFR between the Greek and Soviet Ambassadors in Prague.

II. INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES RELATED TO A CSCE

(a) UNESCO Inter-Governmental Conference on Cultural Policies in Europe

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) had circulated to it by the United States Representative the text of the "Recommendation" on CSCE passed by this Conference on 27th June;
- (2) noted contributions reporting on the Conference by the Canadian, Danish, French, Italian, Netherlands, Norwegian, Turkish, United Kingdom and United States Representatives.

(b) Inter-Parliamentary Union Conference

The COMMITTEE:

noted a contribution by the United States Representative concerning this Conference which would be discussed at the next meeting.

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III. RECOGNITION OF THE GDR

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted a contribution made on a personal basis by the German Representative to the effect that if recent reports were confirmed that the Finnish Government sought to enter negotiations with the Federal Republic and the GDR with a view to establishing diplomatic relations, his Authorities would have to reconsider their position with regard to Helsinki as a venue for the multilateral preparatory talks;
- (2) was informed by the Danish and Norwegian Representatives that their Governments' policy regarding non-recognition of the GDR remained unchanged.

IV. TRAVEL TO WEST BERLIN

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted that the Belgian Embassy in Bonn had recently received a letter from the Australian Ambassador asking whether the Treaty between the Federal Republic and the GDR on Traffic Questions would result in any change in the procedures for road travel to West Berlin by holders of diplomatic passports;
- (2) agreed to have an exchange of views on this question at its meeting on 25th July.

V. EAST-WEST VISITS

The COMMITTEE:

noted a contribution by the Belgian Representative reporting on his Foreign Minister's visit to Bulgaria from 3rd to 6th July.

VI. EAST-WEST CULTURAL RELATIONS

The COMMITTEE:

noted an invitation by the United States Representative for members of the Committee to hold an open-ended informal meeting on 14th July with the State Department's Expert on East-West Cultural Relations, Mr. Richmond.

VII. MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted a contribution by the Turkish Representative concerning this Conference, for which no date, place or agenda had yet been decided;
- (2) agreed to keep this subject under review.

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VIII. PROCEDURE FOR COUNCIL CONSULTATION ON UNGA MATTERS

Reference: AC/119-R(72)59, Item I

The COMMITTEE:

noted that the Canadian, French and Portuguese Delegations were in favour of consultation on UNGA matters being held in the Political Committee at the beginning of September.

IX. DATES AND AGENDA OF AUTUMN MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE WITH DISARMAMENT EXPERTS

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted that the proposed dates of 10th/11th October were acceptable to all delegations except one which would prefer an earlier date;
- (2) requested delegations to ascertain whether the dates of 25th/26th September or 2nd/3rd October, which were the only possible alternatives, were equally acceptable to their Authorities;
- (3) noted that the proposed agenda was acceptable to the majority of delegations;
- (4) agreed to take a final decision on dates and agenda at its next meeting.

X. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 18th July, at 3.30 p.m.

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1110 Brussels.

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