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COMMITTEE OF POLITICAL ADVISERS

Meeting held on 13th December, 1960

ACTION SHEET

I. TRADE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC AND THE SOVIET-
OCCUPIED ZONE OF GERMANY

The COMMITTEE:

noted that the conversations on interzonal trade had continued on 6th December without, however, any progress having been made; a further meeting was scheduled to take place on 13th December, 1960.

II. RESTRICTIONS ON TRAVEL BY EAST GERMAN RESIDENTS

The COMMITTEE:

noted that the United Kingdom Representative hoped to be in a position in the near future to provide his colleagues with TTD statistics for the month of November, 1960.

III. IRISH RESOLUTION TABLED AT THE FIFTEENTH SESSION OF THE
UNITED NATIONS

In the course of a further exchange of views on the position governments proposed to take in respect of the Irish Resolutions, the COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted that the Canadian, Danish and Norwegian Delegations to the United Nations General Assembly were under instructions to vote for the resolution;
- (2) heard it confirmed that the Italian Delegation would abstain.

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IV. DECLARATION ON KOREA MADE ON 7th DECEMBER BY THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT

The COMMITTEE:

noted that the French Delegation would make available for circulation the text of this declaration (subsequently circulated as AC/119-WP(60)103).

V. PROPOSED CIVIL AVIATION LINKS BETWEEN PRAGUE AND HAVANA

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted that a Czech request for technical landing rights in Gandor had been made to the Canadian Government on 27th October; although the Canadian authorities considered that they would be obliged to accede to the request, in accordance with the terms of the Chicago Convention, no reply had yet been sent, nor was there any inclination on their part to send one in the near future;
- (2) noted that a request for overflight rights to the Government of the Federal Republic, which was delivered on 21st October, was still unanswered; it was the opinion of the competent authorities, however, that legally it would be difficult to refuse the request;
- (3) noted that the United Kingdom had also been approached but not, it appeared, regarding technical landing rights; conversations were still in progress in London;
- (4) noted that the Czechs were also exploring the possibilities of a southern route: the Portuguese Government had been requested to provide landing rights in the Azores but had refused to do so; on what grounds, however, the Portuguese Representative was not in a position to say;
- (5) noted that while the Netherlands had not been approached, the competent authorities considered that it would not be possible to refuse the Czech request for overflight or non-commercial landing rights;
- (6) noted a statement by the United States Representative (text subsequently circulated as AC/119-WP(60)104);

- (7) noted that the report made to the Council in 1958 on "Common Policy with respect to Civil Aviation Relations with the USSR and European Satellite Countries" (C-M(58)121) was relevant to the present discussion;
- (8) agreed to continue discussions at a future meeting.

VI. SPORTS COMPETITION IN BULGARIA

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted an enquiry by the Portuguese Representative as to whether university students in other NATO countries had been invited by a national sports' organization in Bulgaria to compete in sports events to be organized in Bulgaria, 25th August to 3rd September, 1961; if so, what reply did they propose to give?
- (2) generally agreed that this question might more appropriately be dealt with by the Committee on Information and Cultural Relations.

VII. PUBLICITY GIVEN IN AN ISRAELI NEWSPAPER TO THE EXPERTS' REPORT ON "THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST"

The COMMITTEE:

noted that an Israeli newspaper had, on 26th November, published under a banner headline what purported to be extracts from the experts' report on the Middle East; while the report was completely inaccurate, in particular in its reference to the attitude of the Greek and Turkish experts to the United Arab Republic, the Greek Representative, who brought this matter to the attention of the Committee, nonetheless considered the incident to be most unfortunate.

VIII. CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN GREECE AND BULGARIA

The COMMITTEE:

noted that the Greek Representative hoped to be in a position shortly to inform his colleagues of the negotiations now taking place between his government and the representatives of the government of Bulgaria.

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IX. FUTURE MEETINGS

Wednesday, 21st December, 1960, at 10.15 a.m.;
if necessary; Tuesday, 10th January, 1961, at 10.15 a.m.

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Paris, XVIIe.

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