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DECISION SHEET  
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COMMITTEE OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS

Meeting held at the Permanent Headquarters, Paris, XVIe.,  
on Thursday, 23rd July, 1964 at 10.15 a.m.

DECISION SHEET

I. EX POST FACTO NOTIFICATION OF OFFICIALLY BACKED EXPORT  
CREDITS OF OVER FIVE YEARS TO COMMUNIST COUNTRIES

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) had before them a draft decision on this subject revised in the light of the Committee's discussion on 9th July (AC/127-D/154(2nd revise) and Corrigendum dated 22nd July, circulated at the meeting);
- (2) noted the following statement by the Canadian Representative:

The Canadian Government has no knowledge of any guarantee of a long-term credit by any provincial government in Canada; the Canadian Government believes no such guarantees to have been made; finally, the Canadian Government could not for constitutional and practical reasons undertake a theoretical commitment to report any such guarantees on behalf of provincial governments;

- (3) noted that the United Kingdom Representative would be in a position to approve the draft decision if the Canadian reservation could be slightly modified on the lines he indicated, and on the understanding that this reservation would be the only one;
- (4) noted that subject to confirmation by the Danish, French, German, Italian, Netherlands and Norwegian Delegations the draft decision was accepted.

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- (5) invited the Secretariat to circulate a final text of this decision, including all amendments, once all delegations had confirmed their acceptance of the decision.

II. RECENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SOVIET BLOC

The COMMITTEE:

agreed, subject to confirmation by the Netherlands Delegation, that the draft report to the Council on this subject (ED/64/24(Revised)) as amended at the present meeting should be submitted to the Council under cover of a note to be provided by the Chairman on his own responsibility.

III. RECENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS IN COMMUNIST CHINA

The COMMITTEE:

agreed, subject to confirmation by the Danish, Netherlands, Norwegian and United Kingdom Delegations, that the draft report to the Council on this subject (ED/64/26) as amended at the present meeting should be submitted to the Council under cover of a note to be provided by the Chairman on his own responsibility.

IV. COMMUNIST ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) agreed that its summary report to the Council on this subject should consist of paragraphs 1-25, Charts I-IV and Table II of AC/127-D/170;
- (2) noted that there was a general feeling that subsequent reports to the Council might, if possible, be even shorter.

V. NATO COUNTRIES' TRADE POLICY TOWARDS THE EUROPEAN SATELLITE COUNTRIES

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) had before them draft reports to the Council on this subject put forward by the Secretariat (ED/64/25) and by the Belgian Delegation (ED/64/28);
- (2) noted comments made by several delegations including those of the United Kingdom Delegation which would subsequently be circulated;
- (3) agreed to revert to this subject at its next meeting.

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VI. NATO COUNTRIES' IMPORTS OF SOVIET BLOC OIL IN 1963

The COMMITTEE:

agreed to defer discussion of this item until its next meeting.

VII. 19TH SESSION OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE  
13th-30th APRIL 1964

The COMMITTEE:

took note, with gratitude, of the Belgian Delegation's report on this Conference (AC/127-WP/144).

VIII. MEETING OF THE AD HOC GROUP OF EXPERTS ON DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) was informed that the French and Danish Authorities would respectively submit reports on the labour situations in Roumania and Poland;
- (2) noted the Chairman's suggestion that the German Authorities might consider preparing papers on the labour situations in Hungary, Bulgaria and Albania;
- (3) noted that the International Secretariat should be informed, as soon as possible, of the names of the national representatives proposing to attend this meeting.

IX. MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF AFRO-ASIAN COUNTRIES WHICH TOOK PLACE AT THE CLOSE OF THE UNITED NATIONS TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE IN GENEVA

The COMMITTEE:

took note of the statement by the Turkish Representative on this subject (text attached at Annex).

X. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

In principle, Thursday, 3rd September, 1964, at 10.15 a.m.

OTAN/NATO,  
Paris, XVIe.

MATTERS DISCUSSED IN GENEVA AT THE MEETING HELD  
AT THE CLOSE OF UNCTAD AMONG BANDUNG COUNTRIES

Text of the Statement by the Turkish Representative

1. The preparatory Committee of the Second Afro-Asian Conference met from 10th-15th April, 1964 in Djakarta to fix the date, place and the preliminary agenda of the Conference.

2. Item 7 on the preliminary agenda, which dealt with the problem of economic development and co-operation in general, provided a review of the results of the United Nations Trade and Development Conference and, in particular, of the position of the Afro-Asian countries vis-à-vis the industrially advanced countries.

3. In the course of its work in Djakarta the Preparatory Committee had agreed to a proposal by the Persian Delegate tending to convene a meeting in Geneva at the close of the United Nations Trade and Development Conference among the Heads of Delegations of the Afro-Asian countries which participated in this Conference. Its aim would be to appraise and evaluate the results of the said Conference and to draw up some recommendations to the Second Afro-Asian Conference, with the aim of providing a basis for study of the economic subjects on the preliminary agenda.

4. The meeting in question was held on 16th and 17th June, 1964 at Geneva right after the termination of UNCTAD. On behalf of the Turkish Government, the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the European Office of the United Nations attended this meeting.

5. Communist China, South Vietnam and South Korea, which could not participate in the UNCTAD due to the fact that they are not members of the United Nations, were also represented at this meeting. On the other hand, the African members of the French Community owing to some disagreement among themselves did not attend.

6. The Liberian Representative was elected as Chairman and the Algerian and Cambodian Representatives as Deputy Chairmen. The Indonesian Representative was assigned the duty of Secretary General, and the Persian Representative was made rapporteur of the meeting. In the course of discussion, the Pakistani Representative made a statement summarising the two Declarations submitted by the 77 countries to the Geneva Conference to be annexed to the Final Act of the Conference and the benefits that the developing countries derived from UNCTAD.

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The Representatives of Communist China, South Vietnam and South Korea made rather mild statements of a general nature. A Working Group comprising the Representatives of Communist China, Algeria, Pakistan, Cambodia, Indonesia, Iran and India was established to draft the communiqué to be issued at the end of the meeting.

7. The draft communiqué prepared by the Working Group was discussed at the second meeting held on 17th June, 1964. The draft communiqué does not contain any attack or condemnation against the western countries. It makes reference to the Final Act and the Declaration of the 77 countries and states that efforts were made at the United Nations Trade and Development Conference with a view to strengthening the solidarity and co-operation among the developing countries and to seeking ways and means to solve the development and trade problems of these countries. The communiqué further stresses that no concrete and positive results emerged from the Conference. It, furthermore, provides that the results of the UNCTAD and the joint declaration of the 77 countries that was put before the Conference should be studied by the countries which will participate in the Second Afro-Asian Conference scheduled to meet on 10th March, 1965.

8. The Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the Countries that will attend the Second Afro-Asian Conference which will meet at the level of Heads of State or of Government will hold, previous to the conference, preliminary meetings to discuss the items on the agenda and, inter alia, the results of the Geneva Conference.