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19 February 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER EUROPE

SUBJECT:

SUPREME ALLIED Commander Atlantic Channel Commanders + Channel Comte
Coordination of National and Combat Forces Key Points

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Reference: S.G. 160

1. The Standing Group have considered the above subject and have reached the following conclusions.

2. It is felt that the coordination of planning for, and the defense of, key points is inherently a responsibility of command and should be dealt with by the Commanders concerned in the development and implementation of their operational plans.

3. SHAPE should deal bilaterally with those North Atlantic Treaty nations which contain key points of joint user interest in order to coordinate and list them by priority.

4. In those cases where SHAPE is unable to reach agreement with national authorities, the matter should be referred to the Standing Group (Military Representatives Committee *or Military Committee if necessary*)

5. National key points not involving joint user interests should remain a national responsibility.

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FOR THE STANDING GROUP:

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HOLDERS OF SGM-373-52

Holders of SGM-373-52 (Coordination of National and Combat Forces Key Points) are requested to make the following change:
 ~~Page 5~~, paragraph 4, delete period at end of sentence and add " or Military Committee if Necessary,"

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CORRIGENDUM NO. 1

HOLDERS OF SGM-373-52

Holders of SGM-373-52 (Coordination of National and Combat Forces Key Points) are requested to amend the heading to read "Memorandum for the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic, Channel Committee and Channel Command.

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