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By JACOURE... Date 14-10-48

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER EUROPE

**SUBJECT:** Combined Emergency Defense Plan - Code Words in connection with

**References:** a. COS/PLA/A.16/43, 15 Feb 52  
b. SGM-1499-51

1. Reference a contains a list of code words which are intended by SHAPE for use and application covering various phases of operations under the Combined Emergency Defense Plan. The Standing Group is not informed as to the source from which these words were obtained.

2. In SGM-1499-51, dated 13 September 1951 (the SOP covering the use of code words in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization), it is provided, in paragraph 3, that:

" . . . The Secretariat, Standing Group, Washington, D. C., is responsible for the allocation of code words or blocks of code words, from a list maintained by the Secretariat, to Commands and Agencies of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

"b. Commands and Agencies of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization will request from the Secretariat, Standing Group, such allocations of code words as they require. . . ."

The purpose of this procedure is to coordinate with other NATO countries to insure that confusion does not arise from duplicate use of code words or from use of code words which have been previously used and discarded for one reason or another (e.g., because of compromise).

3. No restriction has been placed as to the number of code words which may be requested from the Standing Group for use by the commands.

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4. Since examination of the SHAPE list indicates the presence of some words which have been previously used and discarded and also others currently in use by other military agencies, it is requested that the list of code words contained in reference be cancelled and that the Standing Group be informed of SHAPE's requirements for code words in lieu of those to be cancelled.

FOR THE STANDING GROUP:

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