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**MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL KLY  
GENERAL PRICH  
ADMIRAL DAVIS**

**SUBJECT: Proposed Amendments to M.C. 39/2 (Final)**

1. Enclosed for your consideration are the amendments proposed by the French Representative, to paragraphs 21, 22 and 23 of M.C. 39/2, at the Joint NAC/MS Meeting on 20 April 1953.

2. Your comments on or approval of these amendments would be appreciated by the afternoon of 22 April 1953.

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J. L. SMITH  
Secretary

APPROVED: FR, UK + US approved

DISAPPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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cc: Records ✓  
Brigadier Barry  
Colonel Smith  
Colonel Clery-Melin

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO M.C. 39/2 (FINAL)

German contribution

- 21.- The total forces which are represented by the proposals in the Review fall far short of the minimum necessary. This serious short-fall underlined once again the vital importance of obtaining an early contribution of German contingents to Western Defense.
- 22.- The Military Committee takes note of the fact that on May the 27th, 1952, a treaty has been signed by six European Governments, establishing the European Defense Community, which involved the participation of contingents of German origin. This treaty has been submitted to the Permanent Council and formally approved by the latter. The Military Committee notes that this treaty has not yet come into force failing ratification by the signatory countries. The Military Committee further notes that it has not been possible to include in the 1952 Annual Review a provision ~~and~~ for a participation of German contingents.
- 23.- The Military Committee should therefore press the Council for the rapid ratification of the treaty establishing the European Defense Community, in order that the shortcomings of the present military build-up may, in some ~~and~~ measure, be compensated by the participation in Western Defense of contingents of German origin within the E.D.C.

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