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1955 REVIEW OF TRENDS IN EMPLOYMENT, LABOUR MOBILITY, AND
MIGRATION, AND ACTION TAKEN BY MEMBER GOVERNMENTS AND
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Note by the Secretary

At its meeting on 23rd February, 1955, the Council, while noting the Working Group's 1954 Review of Trends in Employment, Labour Mobility and Migration, and Action Taken by Member Governments and International Organizations⁽¹⁾, recommended:

- "(a) that member governments should continue their efforts, on a national basis, to bring about the most efficient operation of their economies, with special reference to improving the utilisation of labour and to expanding their economy as the most important steps to meeting problems of over-population. To this purpose, member governments should give their moral and political support to suitable projects having as their objective expansion of the economies of the European member countries, not least those oppressed by the problem of over-population;
- (b) that member governments should continue to enhance the practical possibilities of the liberalisation of the international movement of labour and of promoting migration on the lines suggested in the recommendations made in the Annex to document C-M(54)1, the validity of which has been strongly reinforced by the developments of the past year;
- (c) member governments to give careful consideration to those of the proposals discussed in this document (C-M(55)12) and in document C-M(54)1 which may affect their immigration and other policies. The NATO Secretariat should continue to submit from time to time reports on the trends in employment, labour mobility and migration, for consideration by the Working Group with a view to submission to the Council."

2. In view of this Council decision, the Secretariat now wishes to receive information bearing on the above recommendations regarding the action taken by member governments subsequent to memoranda received and distributed during the last year as AC/36-D/31.

3. As the information received from member countries is the most important element for the new review the Working Group will be called upon to examine at the end of this year, the Secretariat would appreciate receiving government reports before the end of July, 1955.

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(1) C-R(55)7
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