

NORTH ATLANTIC MILITARY COMMITTEE

COMITE MILITAIRE DE L'ATLANTIQUE NORD

Standing Group

Groupe Permanent

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE STEERING COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Format and Headings for Military Progress Report for the December 1954 North Atlantic Council Meeting

1. The Military Progress Report submitted for the December 1953 Council meeting differed from previous Progress Reports in that it took the form of a report by the Military Committee to the NAC rather than a report from the Standing Group to the M.C. It is considered that this procedure was broadly satisfactory and should be followed for the Progress Report for the December 1954 meeting.

2. In the light of the above, the I.P.T. has prepared the draft framework at Enclosure. The list of subjects is tentative only; some subjects may need to be regrouped, deleted, or added at any time before the final presentation.

RECOMMENDATION

3. The International Planning Team recommends that the Steering Committee approve the broad treatment suggested at Enclosure and direct that the I.P.T. prepare the first draft using as a basis the subject headings on page 4 of this paper.

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ENCLOSURE

REPORT BY THE NORTH ATLANTIC MILITARY COMMITTEE

to the

NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL

on

THE MILITARY PROGRESS OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION

Report No. 7

INTRODUCTION

1. The purpose of this report is to describe the more important aspects of projects covered by the Military Agencies of NATO since the last military progress report was submitted in December, 1953.

2. This report, which is the Seventh in the series submitted to Ministerial Meetings of the Council, is similar to previous reports in that it makes no attempt to cover the numerous routine day-to-day administrative tasks of the NATO military machinery. It is rather intended to serve as a background against which the other military items on the Council's agenda can be seen in better perspective. To this end it contains a representative selection of subjects which have been of immediate concern to the Standing Group and Military Representatives Committee during the period under review. The military items on the Council's agenda are not treated as separate subjects in this report but, together with the papers that were submitted to the recent meeting of the Military Committee, they are referred to, as appropriate, in the context of the wider subjects of which they form part. The activities and progress of the major Commands have already been fully reported to national authorities in Commanders' regular reports and they are not described in this report.

3. During the period under review intensive study has been given to the force requirements and capabilities of NATO in the

light of new weapon developments. These studies are referred to --
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4. The second main feature and the period under review has been the proposed admission of Germany to NATO with its many effects on the organization and working of the NATO military machinery - - - - - etc.....

RECOMMENDATION

5. The Military Committee recommends that the Council take note of the Military Progress Report No. 7.

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