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WORKING GROUP ON THE REVISED NATO SECURITY SYSTEM

(Note by the Secretary)

There is attached for the attention of members of the Working Group on NATO Security copy of a memorandum addressed to the Secretariat by the Belgian Delegation.

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The Belgian Delegation has informed the Secretariat that, at the meeting of the Working Group charged with the consideration of document DC 2/7, relating to the NATO security system, they will raise certain objections to the basic principles of the organization of the security system as they appear in paragraph 3 of the Appendix to the report by the Military Representatives Committee.

The first of these objections is that, according to document DC 2/7, the responsibility for the overall control of the whole security organisation would be placed in the hands of an exclusively military body responsible to the Standing Group. Secondly, the Belgian Delegation consider that it would be desirable not to restrict membership of the body charged with the coordination of security measures to those nations which are represented on the Standing Group.

London, 22nd June, 1951.