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Delegation

When the Working Group set up by the Council Deputies to examine document D.C. 2/7 (Proposed Revision of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation Security System) considers the appendix to D.C. 2/7, the United Kingdom Delegation proposes to make the following suggestion.

Paragraph 3.b. (1) of the appendix sets out an arrangement for Regional Security Committees. In view of the fact that some, if not all, of the Regional Planning Groups are shortly to disappear, the United Kingdom delegation considers that an alternative security committee will be required to take the place of the Regional Security Committees. It is considered that one committee situated in Europe, on which all or a proportion of the NATO countries in Europe would be represented by military and/or civilian representatives, should be set up to deal with day to day security work. This committee would also be the one to which NATO agencies situated in Europe would refer for security guidance.

It is for consideration whether this new security committee should report to SHAPE or to the Council Deputies sitting with the Standing Group Liaison Officer.

The coordination of security throughout NATO would still be the function of the Security Coordinating Committee of the Standing Group. The new European Security Committee would refer any problems requiring revision or amendment of the Standing Security Procedure or necessitating the coordination of security measures, to the Security Coordinating Committee of the Standing Group, subject if necessary to confirmation by higher authority.

The United Kingdom delegation would also like to draw attention to the fact that the Military Security Committees envisaged in paragraph 19 of Annex B. to D.C. 2/7, namely the Standing Operating Procedure, will also require consideration by the Working Group. Here again some new form of military security committee will be required to take the place of the proposed Military Security Committees.

The United Kingdom delegation considers that the foregoing proposals would help to meet the difficulties envisaged in the Belgian memorandum contained in document AC/6-D/1.

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