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WORKING GROUP ON NATO SECURITYDraft Terms of Reference for the Proposed European
Security Co-ordinating Committee

(Note by the Secretary)

At their meeting on 13th July, 1951, the Working Group on NATO Security invited the United Kingdom representative to prepare draft terms of reference for the proposed European Security Co-ordinating Committee of NATO.

Copy of the terms of reference drafted by the United Kingdom representative are circulated herewith for consideration by the Working Group at their meeting on Tuesday, 24th July, 1951, at 5.0 p.m.

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Security Coordinating Committee.

The European Security Co-ordinating Committee shall be an extension on an equal level of the Security Co-ordinating Committee of the Standing Group in Washington.

2. The Committee shall be composed of civilian or Service representatives of all the countries of NATO who wish to be represented.

3. Members shall be experienced in the field of security.

4. The Committee shall normally sit in London but may sit in any other NATO capital, as necessary.

5. The Committee shall supervise NATO security procedure in all NAT agencies in Europe except military commands and shall study security problems which are referred to it by the NAT agencies.

6. A function of the Committee shall be to provide advice and guidance concerning security to NATO countries in Europe who request it.

7. The Committee shall consider questions of principle which are referred to it by NAT agencies in Europe and shall communicate its recommendations to the S.C.C. of the Standing Group in Washington with a view to arriving at an agreed solution. In the event that the Standing Group S.C.C. cannot accept a recommendation affecting civilian agencies, the matter should be referred to the Atlantic Council.