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ACTION REQUIRED AND DRAFT TIME-SCHEDULE FOR THE
ANNUAL REVIEW OF NATO DEFENCE BUILD-UP

Note by the Secretary

The attached revised version of AC/19-D/1 pertains to sub-paragraphs (i) - (vii) of paragraph 2 in the attached form in which they were agreed by the Committee.

Sub-paragraphs (viii) - (xv) have yet to be considered by the Committee.

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ANNUAL REVIEW OF NATO DEFENCE BUILD-UP

ACTION REQUIRED AND DRAFT TIME SCHEDULE

Draft prepared by the Secretariat

The resolution on the TCC Report adopted by the North Atlantic Council on 23rd February 1952 (C9-D/20) recommends inter alia that an annual review be completed in the fall of 1952 on the requirements for building and maintaining adequate defensive strength on a realistic foundation of politico-economic capabilities (para. 17(b)(ii)).

2. The Annual Review in 1952 will involve the following:
 - (i) Civil staff and military Agencies of the Council to reach agreement on a revised basis for stating military requirements.
 - (ii) Drafting of questionnaires*
 - (iii) Approval of these questionnaires by a Committee of the Council (to be designated) and their formal issue to countries for completion and return.
 - (iv) Completion of reports on NATO military requirements, these reports to include:
 - (a) preliminary revised military force goals for 1953, 1954 and 1955, based on assumption that presently agreed firm goals for December 1952 are met;
 - (b) infrastructure requirements necessary to support the forces set forth in sub-para. (a) above;
 - (c) lists of quantities of major material required to equip the forces set forth in sub-para. (a) above;
 - (d) strategic guidance with respect to unit, infrastructure and equipment priorities necessary to achieve a proper balance in the phased build-up of the forces set forth in sub-para. (a) above.

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* Questionnaires to be coordinated to the greatest possible extent with those prepared and circulated by OEEC

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- (v) Costing of military requirements as presented in (iv) above.
- (vi) Submission by countries of replies to questionnaires.
- (vii) Analysis of reports in (iv), (v) and (vi) above.
- (viii) Report on extent to which Governments have adopted the military, economic, financial, budgetary, production, manpower and balance of payments measures recommended by TCC to promote common defence effort (C9-D/20, paras. 12, 13, 14 and 15).
- (ix) First consideration of means of reconciling requirements (i.e. (iv) and (v)) with capabilities as stated by countries and analysed at (vii) and (viii). Preliminary consideration of military risks involved.
- (x) Arising out of (ix), proposals for revision of each country's defence effort to be drafted; topics for discussion with representatives of each country to be drawn up and circulated in advance to the country concerned.
- (xi) "Country Reviews" to be conducted with representatives of each member country in turn to discuss the possibility of any needed increase or other variation in countries' defence efforts to meet NATO defence requirements.
- (xii) Second consideration of means of reconciling requirements with capabilities and preparation of draft report to Council together with an evaluation by the Military Committee of the military risks involved.
- (xiii) Consideration of Draft Report by Council and reference to Governments of specific proposals on defence effort of each country.
- (xiv) Receipt of comments from Governments on acceptability of above proposals and preparation of final report in light of comments.
- (xv) Consideration of final report by Council and adoption of recommendations for action by Governments and NATO agencies.

3. A draft timetable showing the phasing of the main stages of the annual review, on the above assumptions, is set forth in the attached Annex.

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DRAFT TIME TABLE

<u>No.</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
(i)	Agreement on revised basis for costing military requirements	21 May
(ii)	Completion of draft questionnaires, co-ordinated with OEEC	2 June
(iii)	Approval of questionnaires by Council Committees and formal issuance to countries ...	2-7 June
(iv)	Completion of report on NATO military requirements	16 June (up to 15 July)
(v)	Costing of military requirements as presented in (iv) above	4 Aug.
(vi)	Submission by countries of replies to questionnaires	4 Aug.
(vii)	Analysis of reports described in (iv), (v) and (vi) above	4-25 Aug.
(viii)	Report prepared on extent to which governments have adopted programs recommended by TCC	25 Aug.
(ix)	First consideration of means of reconciling requirements with capabilities	25-30 Aug.
(x)	Proposals for revision of each country's defense effort drafted and distributed to countries concerned	30 Aug. - 6 Sept.
(xi)	Country reviews to be conducted	8-22 Sept.
(xii)	Second consideration of means of reconciling requirements and preparation of draft report ..	22-29 Sept.
(xiii)	Consideration of draft report by Council and reference to governments	29 Sept. - 6 Oct.
(xiv)	Receipt of comments from governments	27 Oct.
(xv)	Consideration of final report by Council	12 Nov.