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### NATO INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION MEETING

12th-14th April, 1951.

### Resolution on the N.A.T.O. Information Service as a clearing house for Information

The conference of national information officials at its meeting in London, 12th-14th April, 1951, agreed that the NATO Information Service has an important task to perform in circulating in a convenient form to national information services information giving an overall picture of national efforts in the field of NATO (defence, production, etc.), and collated information on questions concerned with the war of ideas. This will require a continuous flow of up-to-date information from the member governments to the NATO Information Service.

It was agreed that in furnishing this information governments should make a clear distinction between material supplied for general public use, and material for background information work with informed publicists and key men in other walks of life.

A preliminary list of subjects on which member governments should contribute information was circulated at the meeting and a copy is attached.

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1. Information on national defence effort, including civil defence ranging from particular items of interest to comprehensive surveys.
2. Information on national defence production, whether specific stories or comprehensive reviews.
3. Analysis of effects of defence efforts and production on the national economy and standard of living.
4. Information on efforts by private citizens, civilian associations, trade unions and other non-governmental groups, to help the national defence efforts, or to counter communist activities. Details of ideas, techniques and programmes which prove especially successful.
5. Information exposing organization, financing, policies and activities of communists and fellow travellers.
6. Information giving in detail communist misrepresentation in one NAT country about events, conditions and policies of other NAT countries: especially important to counteract divisive activities of Communist propaganda.
7. Information about conditions behind the Iron Curtain.
8. Any first class analysis or exposé of Communist policies and methods likely to be useful to other countries.
9. Cartoons, jokes, posters and other material which has proved effective in exposing Soviet and Communist tactics and policies.