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ASSISTANCE TO GREECE

Note by the Secretary General and  
Vice Chairman of the Council

As a result of the informal discussions with my colleagues I believe that it would be the wish of the Council to adopt a resolution calling on the governments and peoples of the North Atlantic Alliance to contribute to the efforts which the Greek Government itself is making to bring about the rehabilitation of the areas devastated by the recent earthquake.

2. Accordingly, I circulate herewith for consideration by the Council a draft resolution on assistance to Greece (Annex).

3. In view of the urgency of the matter, I would propose that this paper should be discussed under "Any Other Business" at the meeting of the Council on Wednesday, 23rd September.

(Signed) ISMAY

Palais de Chaillot,  
Paris, XVIIe.

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON ASSISTANCE TO GREECE

THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL

- (1) recalls its resolution of the 19th August expressing its sympathy with the Greek Government and people on the disastrous earthquake in the Ionian Islands;
- (2) notes with satisfaction the emergency relief measures undertaken by member nations of NATO to assist the Greek Government and people;
- (3) recognises that, in spite of the emergency relief given, there remains the problem of rehabilitation and reconstruction for the areas affected by the recent disaster and that such rehabilitation and reconstruction will place an added burden on the Greek Government and people who, by their present defence effort and past sacrifices, have already contributed so greatly to the security of the free world;
- (4) recalls the provisions of Article 2 of the Treaty whereby the member nations undertake to do their utmost to promote conditions of stability and well-being throughout the Alliance;
- (5) accordingly calls on the governments and peoples of the North Atlantic Alliance to contribute, to the best of their ability, and by such means as may be most appropriate, to the effort which the Greek Government itself is making to bring about the rapid rehabilitation of the devastated areas;
- (6) invites the member governments to consult with the Greek Government as to the most suitable form which their contribution should take, and to report to the North Atlantic Council the action taken, either through official or private channels, to give effect to this resolution.