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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ITALIAN MILITARY REPRESENTATIVE

SUBJECT: Information for the Military Representatives

1. The Standing Group has carefully considered your memorandum 506/CO/SS of 10 October 1952, together with memorandum No. 2166-116/115 of 22 September 1952 from the Netherlands Representative on the same subject. Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of the reply which has been sent to the Netherlands Representative, and which contains a number of decisions which it is hoped will improve collaboration between the Standing Group and the Military Representatives.

2. In regard to your additional suggestion for the inclusion of some staff members of non-Standing Group nations, the Standing Group considers that this would not be practicable. Unless each team and committee of the Standing Group were expanded to include a staff member from each nation, your object of so keeping the Military Representatives informed of staff activities would not be fully met. Such an expansion of the Standing Group staff would be unwieldy and, furthermore, such a procedure would run counter to the whole concept of the Standing Group as a comparatively small organization functioning as executive agent for the Military Committee and Military Representatives Committee.

3. As you can see in our memorandum for the Netherlands Military Representative, it is the Standing Group policy to keep the Military Representatives and their staffs properly informed. When we have achieved this object there should be no need for members of your staff or the staff of the other representatives to be included in the working teams to keep you informed.

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4. The Standing Group will always welcome any suggestions which will lead to a practical improvement in the working arrangements between themselves and the members of the Military Representatives' Committee.

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Enclosure

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