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ACTION SHEET
AC/119-R(75)104

POLITICAL COMMITTEE

Meeting held on Tuesday 25th November, 1975
at 10.30 a.m.

ACTION SHEET

I. THE EEC AND THE RESULTS OF THE CSCE

The COMMITTEE:

noted two reports from the Italian Representative concerning the comments of the Working Group of the Political Committee of the Nine on the multilateral follow-up to the CSCE within UNESCO and on the implementation of the Final Act within the EEC.

II. EAST-WEST VISITS

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted the request from the Danish Representative to the other delegations regarding the Soviet Union's proposal to Denmark for high-level visits under the Soviet-Danish military exchange programme for the period 1974-1977; noted the information provided during the meeting by the French and Belgian Representatives in reply to this request;
- (2) noted that the Chairman of the Bulgarian Council of Ministers, Mr. Jivkov, was paying an official visit to Bonn and that the German Representative would inform the Committee as soon as possible of the results of this visit;
- (3) noted the detailed report by the Netherlands Representative on the visit to The Hague from 17th to 20th November of Mr. Shnupek, the Czechoslovak Foreign Minister.

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III. SOVIET-YUGOSLAV RELATIONS

The COMMITTEE:

noted a paper by the German Representative analysing the present state of Soviet-Yugoslav relations on the strength of statements made after the recent trip to Asia and the mission to Moscow by Mr. Dolanc, the Secretary of the League of Communists of Yugoslavia.

IV. SOVIET UNION

The COMMITTEE:

heard from the United States Representative that a Washington analysis of the discussions held last year within the CPSU on the principles of government in the Soviet Union had been circulated as AS(75)208.

V. FAR EAST - SINO-JAPANESE RELATIONS

Reference: AC/119-R(75)102, Item VI(2)

The COMMITTEE:

took note of the information supplied by the United States Representative in reply to a question raised by the Italian Representative at the last meeting concerning the rôle reportedly played by the United States in the present development of Sino-Japanese relations.

VI. UNITED NATIONS: PROPOSED DENUCLEARISATION OF THE BALKANS

Reference: AC/119-R(75)102, Item VIII

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) recorded the particularly negative reaction of the United States Delegation to a Rumanian proposal that the Balkans should be declared a denuclearised zone;
- (2) heard from the Turkish Representative that the reaction of the other geographically-concerned countries (particularly Yugoslavia and Bulgaria) had also been negative and that Rumania had withdrawn its proposal; further noted that the Greek Representative could confirm this information.

VII. RELATIONS BETWEEN VIETNAM AND THE SOVIET UNION

The COMMITTEE:

took note of a report by the Turkish Representative on the present state of relations between Hanoi and Moscow pointing out that the statement made by Mr. Le Duan after his recent visit to Moscow revealed signs of a rapprochement between the two countries.

VIII. PREPARATION OF A CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES

Reference: AC/119-R(75)102, Item IX

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted the information (from Italian Communist sources) supplied by the Italian Representative regarding the serious difficulties which had arisen during the preparatory meeting held from 17th to 19th November in East Berlin;
- (2) noted that the present draft final document was unacceptable to, among others, the Yugoslav and Italian Parties and that a further preparatory meeting would be necessary in January 1976; concluded that it would not be possible to hold the Conference for several months at the earliest;
- (3) took note of a German paper on this meeting from which it emerged that the differences of opinion between the so-called autonomous and the centralist parties had not arisen solely over the drafting of the final document;
- (4) held an exchange of views and noted the additional information provided by the United Kingdom Representative on the Soviet attitude and by the Canadian Representative on the Yugoslav attitude to the preparation of the Conference.

IX. CONSEQUENCES OF RECENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS IN EASTERN EUROPE

References: POLADS(75)26
ED/EC/75/71(Revised) and Corrigenda
(Notes by the Economic Directorate)

The COMMITTEE:

as significant changes had been made to the initial draft, agreed to postpone consideration of the Economic Committee's contribution until the meeting on Tuesday 16th December, 1975.

X. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FINAL ACT OF THE CSCE

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted the contribution by the United States Representative to the preparation of the draft report to the Council (ISD/119) and agreed to take it into consideration during the general discussion on this subject scheduled for Friday 28th November;
- (2) noted the details supplied by the Belgian and Danish Representatives concerning the publication in toto of the Final Act in their countries.

XI. IMPLEMENTATION OF CSCE CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES:
NOTIFICATION OF MANEOUVRES AND EXCHANGES OF OBSERVERS

Reference: POLADS(75)27 (draft Council Mandate for the Military Committee)

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) approved the draft Mandate after amending it in accordance with a proposal by the French Representative;
- (2) noted that the Mandate would be considered by the Council at its meeting on 26th November under the Item "Any Other Business".

XII. FORTHCOMING MEETING OF THE AD HOC GROUP ON EAST-WEST CULTURAL EXCHANGES

The COMMITTEE:

noted that the Turkish Representative would prefer this meeting to be held early in February 1976 rather than late in January.

XIII. THEME FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF APAG

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) held an exchange of views on the theme proposed by the United States Representative at the last meeting (AC/119-R(75)101, Item XIII);
- (2) agreed that this discussion should be continued, preferably at Senior Political Committee level, at a later meeting.

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XIV. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 2nd December, 1975 at 10.30 a.m. (Agenda:
AC/119-A(75)107 - already circulated).

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