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DECISION SHEET
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ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

Meeting held at NATO Headquarters, 1110 Brussels,
on Thursday, 11th September, 1975
at 10.15 a.m.

DECISION SHEET

I. ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SITUATION IN POLAND

Document: AC/127-WP/437

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted the views expressed and the comments made during the discussion;
- (2) also noted that the reference document and the replies to the questions raised by delegations in connection with its contents would be taken into account by the International Staff in its half-yearly review of general economic trends in the East European countries.

II. COMMUNIST AID TO THE THIRD WORLD IN 1974

Document: AC/127-WP/438 - Addendum and Corrigendum

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) went through the above-mentioned draft for a second time;
- (2) noted in particular the comments made by the Netherlands, United Kingdom and Turkish Representatives in connection with the Addendum to the document (new paragraphs 50 to 53);
- (3) agreed to place this item on the Agenda of its next meeting to give delegations which were still without instructions from their capitals, a final opportunity to put forward their comments and, where appropriate, their suggested amendments to the International Staff draft.

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III. RECENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS IN THE GDR, HUNGARY AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Document: AC/127-WP/439

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) had a second discussion on the above-mentioned document;
- (2) noted comments from delegations and in particular the Italian Representative's suggestion that a data sheet summarising the main economic developments should be attached to each of the reports on the three countries concerned;
- (3) also noted that the International Staff would be distributing a draft general introduction in time for the next meeting and in accordance with the views expressed by delegations at previous meetings;
- (4) agreed that the reference document should be placed on the Agenda of its next meeting for a final discussion.

IV. PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES

Document: ED/EC/75/53(Revised)

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) had a further exchange of views on its programme of work for the coming ten months on the basis of the reference note which had been prepared by the International Staff;
- (2) agreed in principle to the implementation of this programme as a whole and of its themes and noted the reservations and suggestions made by certain representatives with regard to the holding of certain meetings on specific subjects;
- (3) noted in particular and in connection with the meeting on the effects of inflation, that only three national contributions had reached the International Staff so far and that a decision regarding the possible postponement of the date originally set (2nd October) would have to be taken at its next meeting;

- (4) noted, as regards the meeting of national representatives on the Joint Co-operative Commissions, scheduled for 13th November, that the French Representative did not agree with the inclusion of credits as one of the subject for discussion, drew attention to the practical problem of convening experts from capitals with special knowledge in these fields and expressed reservations as regards the usefulness and advisability of holding such a meeting;
- (5) noted the United Kingdom Representative's suggestion that the East European countries which were the subject of regular discussion by the Committee should be regrouped differently in threes (GDR - Poland - Czechoslovakia and Hungary - Rumania - Bulgaria);
- (6) agreed to continue its discussion at the next meeting.

V. ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPACT OF RECENT FLOODS IN RUMANIA

Document: AC/127-WP/440

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted the distribution by the International Staff of a consolidated report, in response to a Council request for an assessment, to be made jointly with the Political Committee, of the repercussions of flood damage;
- (2) noted the views expressed and the comments made during the discussion and invited the International Staff to take these into account in preparing the final version of the paper.

VI. RECENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SOVIET UNION AND IN THE EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

The COMMITTEE:

noted a verbal contribution by the French Representative following up and amplifying the most recent International Staff report on this topic (C-M(75)39).

VII. EAST/WEST VISITS

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) noted the announcement by its Chairman of a visit to Moscow within the context of Franco-Soviet co-operation of Mr. Michel d'Ornano;

- (2) also noted a statement by the Canadian Representative on current discussions between Canada and the USSR on fishery questions of common interest to the two countries.

VIII. PREPARATION OF THE COLLOQUIUM

The COMMITTEE:

noted the distribution during the meeting of information concerning the organization of the 1976 economic colloquium and invited delegations to inform the Economic Directorate as soon as possible of the names of participants in this meeting.

IX. LIST OF CIG AND SITUATION CENTRE MESSAGES

The COMMITTEE:

noted the distribution during the meeting, by the International Staff, of a list of messages which, in view of their contents, might be of interest to its members.

X. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 18th September, 1975.

NATO,
1110 Brussels.