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ACTION SHEET
AC/52-R(63)10

COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND CULTURAL RELATIONS

Meeting held on 21st March, 1963

ACTION SHEET

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I. ANTI-WESTERN PROPAGANDA INCLUDING ACTIVITIES OF COMMUNIST
"FRONT" ORGANIZATIONS

(a) Polish Communist Activities with Regard to Africa

The COMMITTEE:

took note of the German Delegation's note
on this subject, AC/52-WP(63)14.

(b) Second Latin-American Youth Congress

The COMMITTEE:

heard a report by the Italian Representative
about this Congress based on information
emanating from the Italian Embassies in
Cuba and Chile; this information confirmed
Cuban announcements that the Congress would
take place in Santiago de Chile on
6th to 11th August, 1963 and indicated that
Cuban Communist and Trade Union leaders were
energetically eliciting support for the
Congress in Latin-America.

(c) Possible Meeting of the World Peace Council of Churches

The COMMITTEE:

was informed by the United Kingdom Representative
that this Council was another name for the
Christian Peace Conference; Archbishop Nicodim,
although active in the World Peace Council, was
note, as far as was known, a member of it.

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(d) Departure of African Students from Bulgaria

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) heard an account from the German Representative of the treatment to which Togolese students leaving Bulgaria had been subjected in East Berlin;
- (2) had distributed to them by the United Kingdom Representative a reprint of an article by Robert Kotey entitled "Why We African Quit" which had been published in the London Observer; this article could be freely used provided that acknowledgement was made to the Observer.

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II. CULTURAL RELATIONS OF NATO COUNTRIES WITH THE USSR AND THE EUROPEAN SATELLITES

(a) Proposal for an Ad Hoc Study Group

The COMMITTEE:

- (1) had before them the Chairman's proposal - AC/52-PSY/5 - for the establishment of an Ad Hoc Study Group on Cultural Relations of NATO Countries with the USSR and the European Satellites;
- (2) noted that the Belgian, German, Greek, Turkish and United Kingdom authorities agreed on the principle of establishing such a Group;
- (3) noted that the United States authorities could not encourage the setting-up of such a NATO Group in view of the existence of an eight-nation Group on the same subject which would be meeting in Bonn early in May, 1963.
- (4) agreed to continue discussion of the Chairman's proposal at such a time as national delegations had been able to report detailed information on the origins, activities and terms of reference of the eight-nation Group.

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(b) Danish Cultural Agreement with the Soviet Union

The COMMITTEE:

was informed that the cultural agreement negotiated between Denmark and the Soviet Union in 1962 had come into force on 25th February, 1963.

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III. OTHER MATERIAL DISTRIBUTED AT THE MEETING

- (1) Reprint of an article by Bill Savage in the Student concerning the Seventh Congress of the IUS, entitled A Deepening of the Division in the Student World (supplied by the United Kingdom Delegation);
- (2) A United States documentary note on control of literature in the Soviet Union - for non-attributable use;
- (3) A United States documentary note on the Arts and the One-Party State - for non-attributable use.

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IV. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

28th March, 1963 at 4.00 p.m.

OTAN/NATO,
Paris, XVIe.

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