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held on

THURSDAY, 23rd APRIL, 1953 AT 3.30 p.m.

at the

PALAIS DE CHAILLOT, PARIS XVIIe.

Palais de Chaillot,
Paris, XVIIe.

PARTY ORGANIZATION

GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

CPSU Secretariat
 Khrushchav ←
 Suslov
 Pospelov
 Shatalin

CPSU Presidium
MEMBERS:
 Malenkov ←
 Beriya ←
 Molotov ←
 Voroshilov *
 Khrushchav
 Bulganin ←
 Kaganovich ←
 Mikoyan ←
 Saburov ←
 Pervukhin ←
CANDIDATE MEMBERS:
 Shvernik
 Ponomarenko ←
 Melnikov
 Bagirov

**Central Council
 of
 Trade Unions**
Chairman:
 Shvernik ←

**Ukrainian Party Central
 Committee**
Secretary:
 Melnikov ←

Azerbaijani Party Central Committee
Secretary:
 Bagirov ←

Council of Ministers
Presidium
CHAIRMAN:
 → Malenkov
1st Deputy Chairmen:
 → Beriya
 → Molotov
 → Bulganin
 → Kaganovich
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN:
 → Mikoyan
MEMBERS:
 → Saburov
 → Pervukhin
 → Ponomarenko
 and 20 other Heads
 of Ministries and
 Committees.

MINISTRIES

→ INTERNAL AFFAIRS
 → FOREIGN AFFAIRS
 → DEFENCE
 → DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN
 TRADE
 → MACHINE BUILDING
 → Electric Power Stations and
 Power Industry
 → CULTURE

INTEGRATION OF COMMUNIST PARTY AND SOVIET GOVERNMENT, MARCH 15, 1953

NOTE:
 ←-----→ DUAL MEMBERSHIP
 → CONTROL

* Also Chairman of USSR Supreme Soviet Presidium (Titular Chief of State)

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TRENDS IN SOVIET POLICY

ADDENDUM

to

C-M(52)116
(dated 1st December, 1952)

At its meeting on 24th January^{*} the Council agreed that the Working Group on Trends in Soviet Policy should be re-convened to revise or supplement its report on Trends in Soviet Policy^{**} which was considered by Ministers in December.

2. Due to the rapid change of events since Stalin's death and the shortage of time available, the Working Group was unable to prepare and adequately consider a paper. The Working Group therefore requested the Secretariat to prepare a text (Annex) for consideration by Ministers.

3. This paper is listed under Item I of the draft agenda for the Ministerial Meeting.

Palais de Chaillot,
Paris, XVIe.

* C-R(53)2
** C-M(52)116

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FINAL COMMUNIQUE

1. The North Atlantic Council, meeting in Paris in Ministerial Session with the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Defence, Economics and Finance present, and under the Chairmanship of Lord Ismay, completed their work today.

2. The Council agreed on short and long-term programmes for NATO. They established a firm military programme for 1953 and a provisional programme for 1954. In addition to the forces which Greece and Turkey are contributing, there will be a notable increase in the size of the forces assigned to NATO Supreme Commanders and a considerable improvement in their effectiveness. Training is being greatly improved at all levels. The series of large-scale manoeuvres held during the last year has appreciably raised the standard of co-operation of the forces of the member countries; units are being better equipped and the organization of support forces is developing. The NATO military authorities consider that the attainment of the force goals in 1953, and the combined influence of these various factors, will add materially to the defensive strength of NATO during 1953.

3. Agreement was reached not only on the common financing of the second part (£67,000,000) to the Fourth Slice of the Infrastructure Programme (the first part to the amount of about £80,000,000 having been settled at a Ministerial Meeting in December), but also on a cost-sharing formula which would cover future programmes to be submitted by the Supreme Commanders for the three-year period beginning in 1954, involving expenditure of up to £250,000,000, subject to the approval of Parliaments. These programmes will include a wide range of projects such as airfields, telecommunications, naval bases and port facilities, pipe-lines and radar installations. The military authorities of NATO now have a financial planning figure to which they can work for over three years. In addition, an improved system is ready to be put into operation to ensure closer financial supervision over the expenditure of common infrastructure funds.

4. The Council gave close attention to various economic and financial factors affecting the rate of expansion of the defence efforts. It was agreed that the development of sound national economies and the increase of military forces should be pursued concurrently; in certain fields the establishment of long-term joint military production programmes appeared to be the least costly and the most efficient solution.

5. It was on these lines that the Member Governments and the International Staff developed a method for preparing