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Attachment B

DRAFT Communiqué Containing  
Agreed Recommendations of Foreign Ministers



The Foreign Ministers of the French Republic, UK, USSR and the United States of America met in Geneva from May 11 to June 19, 1959 from July 13 to \_\_\_\_\_, 1959.

The meeting was convened to consider questions relating to Germany, including a peace treaty with Germany, and Berlin. The discussions which were carried on in the course of the meeting regarding Germany established that the Foreign Ministers all agreed that Germany should be reunified, that there should be free elections held for this purpose, and that there should be a final German peace settlement at the earliest practicable time. The Foreign Ministers were unable to agree upon procedures for achieving these ends.

In order to further the solution of these questions the Foreign Ministers have agreed to recommend to their respective Governments the following proposals:

- (a) That a four-power commission be established to continue the discussion of the German problem and to examine questions connected with the preparation and conclusion of a peace treaty with Germany.

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(b) That the four-power commission make appropriate arrangement for the cooperation of German advisors, who would be requested to discuss and propose concrete measures for the reunification of Germany, with free elections at an appropriate stage in the process, and to propose agreed principles for a peace treaty with Germany. The advisors would also be requested to transmit proposals for the extension and development of technical contacts between the two parts of Germany and the free movement of persons, ideas and publications between the two parts of Germany;

(c) Unless agreement has been reached on plans for reunification and for the conclusion of a peace treaty with Germany at an earlier date, the Foreign Ministers will reconvene at the end of \_\_\_\_\_ years to continue their discussion of these subjects.

The Foreign Ministers will further recommend to their respective governments consideration be given to alleviation of tensions in Berlin by adoption of measures along the following lines in the light of the existing situation and agreements at present in force:

(a) The Western Powers would establish a ceiling upon the combined total of their armed forces in Berlin which

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would be in the neighborhood of \_\_\_\_\_ troops.

(b) The Four Powers would continue to arm their forces in Berlin only with conventional weapons.

(c) Access to Berlin by land, by water, and by air for all persons, goods and communications, including those of the forces of the Western Powers stationed in Berlin, would be maintained in accordance with the procedures in effect in April 1959. All disputes which might arise with respect to access would be raised and settled between the four governments except that a resident four-power commission would be established in West Berlin which would in the first instance consider any difficulties arising in connection with access and would seek to settle such difficulties. This commission would make use of German advisors as necessary.

(d) Measures would be taken, consistent with fundamental rights and liberties to avoid within or directed at Berlin activities which might either disrupt public order or seriously affect the rights and interests, or aim to interfere in the internal affairs, of others. A representative of the Secretary General of the United Nations, supported by adequate staff, would

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be established in Berlin, with free access to all parts of the city for the purpose of monitoring propaganda activities in the light of the foregoing principles, and to report to the Secretary General any such activities in Berlin or directed at Berlin which appear to be in conflict with such principles. The four governments would consult with the Secretary General in order to determine the appropriate action to be taken in respect to any such report.

The Foreign Ministers will also recommend that the arrangements specified in sub-paragraph (a) through (d) above will remain in effect until reunification of Germany provided that, in the absence of reunification, or agreed plans for reunification, the Foreign Ministers will meet at the end of \_\_\_\_\_ years to review these arrangements.

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Attachment A

Dear Harold:

I was glad to have your letter assessing the situation at the close of the present phase of the Foreign Ministers Conference and suggesting a line which we might take when the Conference resumes on July 13.

We too have been considering where we go from here. We are working very hard on the issues which the Conference has developed. Chris will be in touch with Selwyn on the thoughts which the latter has conveyed to him. I hope that we may be able to work out a concerted position in time to consult with the French and Germans before July 13th. The issues are so large and the time so short that this may not be possible. However, we shall do our best.



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