

Reply by the WEU Council to Assembly Recommendation 88 (London, 20 March 1963)

Caption: On 20 March 1963, the Secretary-General of Western European Union (WEU) circulates the final reply by the WEU Council to Assembly Recommendation 88 on defence outside the NATO area and the Cuban crisis. The Council notes that WEU Member States have always taken an active part in the political consultations of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation and emphasises that on a number of occasions they have been the prime movers of such discussions. In the light of the events that occurred during the Cuban Missile Crisis, the Council notes that the Assembly has asked it to initiate discussions in the North Atlantic Council with a view to re-examining the geographical concept set out in Article VI of the North Atlantic Treaty.

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SECRETARY-GENERAL'S NOTE

Assembly Recommendation 88

The Secretary-General circulates herewith the Council's reply to Assembly Recommendation 88 on defence outside the NATO area and the Cuban crisis.

This reply, adopted by the Council at their meeting on 20th March, has been transmitted to the Assembly (cf. CR (63) 6, II, 3).

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Reply to Recommendation 88

1. The main purpose of Recommendation 88 is the development of political consultation in the North Atlantic Council.

On this subject, the Council wish to recall that the member States of W.E.U. have always taken an active part in NATO political consultations and have on a number of occasions been the prime movers of such discussions.

2. The Council further note that the Assembly requests them to initiate discussions in the North Atlantic Council on the interpretation of article VI of the North Atlantic Treaty, with a view to re-examination, in the light of present circumstances, of the geographical concept therein defined.

Recommendation 88 has been transmitted to NATO for information.