

Recommendation 78 of the WEU Assembly on defence outside the NATO area (Paris, 7 June 1962)

Caption: On 7 June 1962, believing that the interests of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) extend outside the geographical boundaries of the Alliance, the Assembly of Western European Union (WEU) adopts Recommendation 78 on defence outside the NATO area. The Assembly believes that greater coordination of the political and military policies of NATO partners outside the NATO area is desirable.

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RECOMMENDATION 78
on defence outside the NATO area

The Assembly,

Believing that the interests of NATO extend outside the geographical boundaries of the Alliance;

Noting that in the past clashes of policy and interests have taken place between NATO powers outside these boundaries with results harmful to the Alliance;

Believing that a greater measure of co-ordination in the political and military policies outside the NATO area of NATO partners is desirable,

RECOMMENDS TO THE COUNCIL

1. That steps be taken to enhance the political authority of the NATO Council in order to improve and strengthen the system of political consultation within the Alliance;
2. That NATO powers should as a routine submit their extra NATO policies to discussion within such an improved consultative system;
3. That the NATO Council should take steps to improve the liaison between NATO, CENTO and SEATO and the other defence organisations of the free world.