Notice and agenda of an urgent meeting of the WEU Council on the Middle East: request made by the United Kingdom delegation (London, 12 February 1969)

Caption: On 12 February 1969, at the urgent request of the United Kingdom delegation, the Secretary-General of Western European Union (WEU) convenes a meeting of the Council on the situation in the Middle East. The French Government is hostile to the British proposal and refuses to take part in the meeting, held in London on 14 February. France's decision to boycott the meetings of the WEU Council leads to an open crisis between French President Charles de Gaulle and WEU. This WEU 'empty chair' crisis lasts until 1970.

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SECRETARY-GENERAL'S NOTE

At the request of the United Kingdom delegation, as a matter of urgency, the Secretary-General hereby convenes a meeting of the Council, to be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, 14th February 1969.

The agenda for this meeting is attached.

9, Grosvenor Place, London, S.W.l.

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AGENDA

for the 362nd meeting of the Council of Western European Union to be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, 14th February 1969, at 9, Grosvenor Place, London S.W.1.

I. Situation in the Middle East

II. Any other business

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