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It is agreed that the plans and deliberations of the military conferences of the participating nations of the Western European Union should be protected against the intelligence activities of all non-member powers. The United States Communication Intelligence Board cannot concur, however, in that course of action which would provide more secure communication systems to the member nations at this time. The United States Communication Intelligence Board feels that by initiating such a measure, except during periods of actual hostilities, the advantages to be gained are unrealistic. The Board is of the firm opinion that in any effort to improve the communication security of the nations of the

In the event of hostilities, however, security considerations assume paramount importance and any necessary action should be taken to improve the communication security of our Allies.

It is the recommendation of the United States Communication Intelligence Board that transmission of correspondence resulting from military planning discussions be conducted by landline and/or cable, or by special courier, and that communications by radio be completely suppressed. It is also recommended that transmissions by landline or cable be limited to channels that do not traverse those areas under the control of non-member nations. This procedure will minimize the possibilities of compromise of the highly classified plans

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