
Proposal of the HSWP CC Department of Foreign Relations to the HSWP Political Committee on the Initiation at the Summoning [?] of the PCC

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HUNGARIAN SOCIALIST WORKERS' PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS

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PROPOSAL

Submitted to the Politburo of the Central Committee of HSWP concerning the initiative for the convocation of the Political Consultative Committee of the Warsaw Treaty

The Central Committee of the German Socialist Unity Party addressed a letter to the Central Committee of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' party in which it put forward a proposal to convene the Political Consultative Committee of the Warsaw Treaty on 27 – 28 November, this year in Warsaw (Appendix No 1.).

In this letter the CC of the GSUP proposes that the main goal of the negotiations should be the discussion of the harmonized measure that are necessary to counter the establishment of the multilateral nuclear force of NATO, and that the Political Consultative Committee should adopt a proclamation addressed to all nations of the world (Appendix No 2) which would be sent to these countries through diplomatic channels but which would also be made public at the same time.

We suggest that the Politburo accept the initiation of the German comrades, but we also propose that it should put forward some modifying proposals.

- 1. We endorse the adoption of a joint proclamation by the Political Consultative Committee and its publication.
- 2. As for sending the communiqué to the various governments through diplomatic channels, there are several possible variants:
 - a. The proclamation is sent by the depository country (Poland) to the relevant governments as commissioned by the Political Consultative Committee, and Poland's representative will conduct negotiations with the representatives of all the states in the name of the Warsaw Treaty.
 - b.The depository country sends out the proclamation, but then referring to this proclamation, relating to it, as it were, a representative of every member state spells out the special points of view and position of their respective countries separately to some high-ranking representative of the addressed states.
 - c.No joint proclamation is sent out, but based on it every member state works out its own position, which is then sent to all those states involved, or to some circles of them.

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We note here that to our knowledge it is unprecedented in the history of the Warsaw Treaty that the Political Consultative Committee should have commissioned a member state to do such a thing, but we understand that it has never happened within NATO either. However, we do not see any obstacle to it, at the worst there will be some articles written about it, or it will be rejected at certain places. The main advantage is though that in this way we can demonstrate our unity, and we can give an official document with the signature of the GDR to countries that do not have diplomatic relations with it.

We suggest that variant 2/b be accepted. The implementation of this variant is more advantageous because in this way we could conduct negotiations with the representatives of several capitalist countries, and every member state could spell out their own special points of view. Thus the issue could be clarified from various different viewpoints and raised more emphatically. The negotiations could be conducted by the representatives of the member states of the Warsaw Treaty on the basis of some division of labor.

- 1. We propose that the People's Republic of Poland should send the joint proclamation to the UN as a UN document written in the name of the Political Consultative Committee, requesting the UN to circulate it among the member states.
- 2. While carrying out our operations special stress must be put on the so-called weaker links in the chain in NATO, such as Norway, Denmark, Greece and Turkey. Of these countries the Hungarian People's Republic should devote special attention in the first place to Greece.
- 3. We propose that the joint proclamation be reduced in size, since in its present form it comes to one and a half newspaper pages.
- 4. We propose that the meeting of the Political Consultative Committee be attended by comrades János Kádár and János Péter.
- 5. Based on the comments made at the meeting of the Politburo the Ministry for Foreign Affairs should work out the modifying proposals concerning the proclamation draft for the delegation which will attend the meeting as well as the concrete plan of the Hungarian participation in the operations, including some information materials, etc.

DRAFT RESOLUTION

The Politburo of the HSWP accepts the proposal concerning the meeting of the Political Consultative Committee of the Warsaw Treaty.

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