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SUMMARY OF THE DISCUSSION OF THE SPECIAL GROUP
ON 22.11.67 CONCERNING THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY
THE SECRETARY GENERAL

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1. Terms of Reference of the Special Group as decided by the Council in its resolution of the 16.12.66 and 22.2.67.
2. Comments on the historical background.
 - (a) In 1967 the Alliance and its member-states are no longer confronted with tragic events of 1949 and 1940.
 - (b) A major change has occurred both within the eastern countries and within the western ~~xxxxxx~~ powers.
 - (i) Within the eastern countries :

the Alliance has halted the communist progression in Europe.

 - A major change has occurred in the relationships between the communist states : the Soviet Union is now one of the two super-powers, a serious split has arisen between Moscow and Peking, the countries of eastern Europe show a greater tendency to take their own decisions.
 - The Communist world has given its own definition of peaceful coexistence at the 20th Congress, limiting the confrontation with the democratic states of Europe to the economic, political and ideological teams.
 - (ii) Among the western countries
 - recovery and development of Europe with a first step towards the economic integration of the sixth.
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