Resolution of the Warsaw Treaty Member-States on the Report of the Supreme Commander of the Unified Armed Forces, Adopted at the Meeting of the Political Consultative Committee

5 January 1983

The Warsaw Treaty member-states, having consulted on the report of the Supreme Commander of the Unified Armed Forces, note that the Political Consultative Committee's resolutions for guaranteeing the defense of the allied countries and for increasing the combat readiness of the Unified Armed Forces are essentially being fulfilled.

In view of the increasing aggressiveness of U.S. foreign policy and that of its most important NATO partners, their extensive war preparations, and their resort to military force in pursuit of imperialist goals in several areas—developments that have severely aggravated the situation in the world, including Europe, and have posed a direct threat to security—the Warsaw Treaty member-states consider it necessary to take measures to further strengthen their defenses and increase the fighting capacity and combat readiness of the Unified Armed Forces.

The Warsaw Treaty member-states resolve:

1. To approve the actions by the Unified Command and the ministries of defense in fulfillment of the resolutions on military matters adopted at the meetings of the Political Consultative Committee.

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2. The Unified Command and the ministries of defense must:

- a) Continue to follow closely the war preparations of the United States and its allies, develop and implement in a timely fashion measures to guarantee the reliable defense of the Warsaw Treaty member-states, and to maintain their Unified Armed Forces at a high level of combat readiness.
- b) Ensure the timely and complete fulfillment of all measures for the years 1981-85, as provided for in the resolution concerning the development of ground and naval forces.
 - In 1983-5, measures must be taken to increase the combat potential of the allied ground and naval forces, by equipping them with more modern weapons and technology substituting equipment in the current five-year plan for that foreseen in the five-year developmental plans and by providing them with a significant amount of the newest combat technology through additional deliveries.
- c) Further develop and deepen all-round cooperation among the allied armies, and expand contacts and the exchange of more advanced experiences at the various levels.

They must consolidate the internationalist solidarity and brotherhood-in-arms of the allied armies and increase the effectiveness of the training and education of their personnel in a spirit of socialist internationalism, along with their constant readiness to take up arms for the protection of the Warsaw Treaty member-states.

- d) Conclude in 1983 the unified planning for the deployment of the armed forces of the Warsaw Treaty member-states in wartime, in accordance with Article 5 of the Statute of the Unified Armed Forces and the Unified Command in Peacetime, and ensure that in peacetime the troops and officers of all allied armies participate in operational and troop exercises, in accordance with the plans for joint measures of the Unified Armed Forces.
- 3. The drafting of the developmental plans for the Unified Armed Forces for the next five-year plan (1986-1990) must be guided by the following principles:
 - the number and level of troops and fleets provided to the Unified Armed
 Forces by each state must not be lower that that set for the end of 1985 by the protocols;
 - the rate and standard of the re-equipment of the formations and groups with new uniform armament and fighting technology must be raised;
 - in each allied army, groups and units ("basic groups and units") are to be created that will be equipped with the most modern and future-oriented weaponry and the latest generation of military technology;
 - the acquired scientific, technological and industrial potential of the allied countries must be put to use more effectively in order to expand production and to create new models of armaments and military technology and in order to increase the rate and broaden the scope of the complex process of modernizing the armaments with which the troops and fleets are presently equipped;
 - the stability and operational capacity of command must be increased; the creation of unified command and information systems of the Unified Armed

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Forces in the theater of war and, to an even greater extent, automated command systems, advanced means of protection against electronic interference and coded information links as well as movable (on armored vehicles) and airborne command posts should be introduced;

- the stockpiling of reserves of materiel and munitions must be continued and raised to the level of a three months' supply for the troops and the fleets;
- the network of airfields must be expanded, and the system for basing fleets must be improved.

The drafting of the developmental plans for the troops and fleets provided to the Unified Armed Forces for the following five-year period will take place in 1983-1985.

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