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Annex IV/f

RESOLUTION

To Establish the Committee of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs and the Joint Secretariat

(Adopted at the Meeting of the Political Consultative Committee of the Warsaw Treaty Member-States, November 26, 1976)

Pursuant to Article 6 of the Treaty on Friendship, Cooperation and Mutual Assistance, dated May 14, 1955, the member-states of the Warsaw Treaty hereby resolve to establish the following bodies of the Political Consultative Committee:

(a) A Committee of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, whose mission is to exchange views and information on foreign policy issues, to prepare recommendations for the Political Consultative Committee, to elaborate draft plans to implement the Committee's decisions, and to discuss issues as assigned by the Political Consultative Committee.

The Committee of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs shall be convened as necessary, but in any case not less often than once a year. Its meetings will take place in the respective member-states of the Warsaw Treaty in alphabetical order (according to the Russian alphabet), unless otherwise agreed.

The Committee of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs may authorize its deputies to meet. The Foreign Ministers may assign their authorized representatives issues to discuss.

Expenses associated with the Committee's activities and the stay of delegations in the host state shall be borne by the host state.

(b) A Joint Secretariat, whose mission is to provide organizational and technical support and services to the Political Consultative Committee and the Committee of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs and to fulfill their instructions. The Joint Secretariat shall consist of a General Secretary, appointed by the member-states of the Warsaw Treaty, and national representatives. The Joint Secretariat's work shall be organized by the General Secretary. To support the Joint Secretariat and enable its work, the General Secretary of the Political Consultative Committee, in accordance with an agreement with the foreign policy institutions of the member-states of the Warsaw Treaty, may invite additional supporting personnel from among the nationals of the member-states of the Warsaw Treaty. Expenses related to the

Joint Secretariat's activities shall be borne by the state hosting the meeting of the Political Consultative Committee or the Committee of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs.

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