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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

30 AUG 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

The status of planning for the defense of the North Atlantic Area has progressed to the point where early decisions and recommendations by the Defense Ministers will be helpful in carrying forward future action under the Treaty.

General Bradley and I have issued invitations for the Defense and Military Committees of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to meet in Washington on October 16 and 12, respectively. It is planned to make a public release of this invitation at 12:00 o'clock, Eastern Daylight Time, 31 August 1950.

I have also invited the Defense Ministers to undertake a short technical inspection trip from October 18 through October 20, 1950.

Respectfully yours,

*Paul H. Thurman*



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