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MIPT: NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL MINISTERIAL, 11-12 DECEMBER:  
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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT:  
BEGINS

WE WELCOME RECENT HIGH-LEVEL EAST-WEST CONTACTS, NOTABLY THE MEETING BETWEEN PRESIDENT REAGAN AND GENERAL SECRETARY GORBACHEV IN REYKJAVIK. THE REYKJAVIK MEETING OFFERED THE PROSPECT OF SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS TOWARDS BUILDING A MORE STABLE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION BOTH IN THE FIELD OF BALANCED AND VERIFIABLE AGREEMENTS ON ARMS CONTROL AND IN THE FIELD OF HUMANITARIAN QUESTIONS.

OUR STRATEGY OF DETERRENCE, BASED ON THE MAINTENANCE OF ADEQUATE CONVENTIONAL AND NUCLEAR FORCES, HAS PROVED ITS WORTH IN PRESERVING PEACE, AND REMAINS FULLY VALID. AT THE SAME TIME WE REMAIN COMMITTED TO SUBSTANTIVE PROGRESS IN ARMS CONTROL. REAL ARMS CONTROL CAN ONLY BE BASED ON THE CRITERIA OF STRENGTHENED STABILITY, EQUITABLE AND SIGNIFICANT REDUCTIONS AND EFFECTIVE VERIFICATION. WE LOOK FOR MOVEMENT AT THE NUCLEAR AND SPACE

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TALKS AT GENEVA IN THOSE AREAS WHERE MOST PROGRESS AT REYKJAVIK WAS MADE, PARTICULARLY INF AND 50 PER CENT STRATEGIC REDUCTIONS. WE ALSO LOOK FOR PROGRESS IN OTHER ARMS CONTROL AREAS, RECOGNISING THAT NUCLEAR ARMS CONTROL CANNOT BE DIVORCED FROM THE QUESTION OF CHEMICAL AND CONVENTIONAL IMBALANCES. AT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT WE CONTINUE TO SEEK AN EFFECTIVE AND VERIFIABLE CONVENTION ON A GENERAL AND COMPLETE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND ON THE DESTRUCTION OF EXISTING STOCKPILES. WE WELCOME THE DOCUMENT AGREED IN STOCKHOLM ON CONFERENCE AND SECURITY BUILDING MEASURES IN EUROPE. THOSE OF US PARTICIPATING IN MBFR AGAIN AFFIRM OUR DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE EARLY AGREEMENT AND ARE DISAPPOINTED THAT NO CONSTRUCTIVE EASTERN RESPONSE HAS BEEN RECEIVED TO OUR MAJOR INITIATIVE OF 5 DECEMBER 1985. ALLIANCE COHESION, WHICH HAS BEEN A MAJOR FACTOR IN BRINGING THE SOVIET UNION TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE, WILL CONTINUE TO BE ENSURED THROUGH CLOSE CONSULTATION ON ALL MATTERS AFFECTING OUR COMMON INTEREST AND SECURITY.

WE CONTINUE TO ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE BALANCED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CSCE PROCESS. WE BELIEVE THAT THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION BY ALL PARTICIPATING STATES OF THE COMMITMENTS ENTERED INTO IN HELSINKI, MADRID AND STOCKHOLM IS AN ESSENTIAL BASIS FOR IMPROVING SECURITY AND DEVELOPING COOPERATION IN EUROPE. WE BELIEVE THAT THE CSCE PROCESS MUST CONTINUE BEYOND THE FOLLOW-UP MEETING NOW UNDERWAY IN VIENNA.

(BERLIN PARAGRAPH)

WE URGE THE SOVIET UNION TO RESPOND TO THE WISHES OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY BY AGREEING TO A SPEEDY AND COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL OF THEIR TROOPS FROM AFGHANISTAN, THUS OPENING THE WAY TO A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT WHICH WOULD END THE HUMAN SUFFERING CAUSED BY SEVEN YEARS OF OCCUPATION AND RESTORE AFGHANISTAN'S INDEPENDENCE AND NON-ALIGNED STATUS.

THE INCREASE IN INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM REMAINS A MATTER OF GREAT CONCERN TO US. WE REAFFIRM OUR SUPPORT FOR ALL EFFORTS TO CURB TERRORISM IN ALL ITS FORMS AND FROM WHATEVER QUARTER IT MAY COME.

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WE HAVE NOTED ENCOURAGING PROGRESS IN OUR EFFORTS TO ENHANCE ARMAMENTS COOPERATION AMONG ALL COUNTRIES OF THE ALLIANCE. WE WILL ACTIVELY CONTINUE THESE EFFORTS.

THE GOALS OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THREE, THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF WHICH WE CELEBRATE THIS YEAR, REMAIN AS VALID NOW AS IN 1956: NAMELY THE IMPROVEMENT AND EXTENSION OF NATO COOPERATION IN NON-MILITARY FIELDS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF GREATER UNITY WITHIN THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY.

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