

of the United Kingdom be no propaganda advantage to the West in raising the matter at this time.

3. The French delegation said that if we proposed to raise the question, they would be willing to participate in discussions, but they did not themselves suggest doing so.

4. Maffit of the United States delegation has now told Arnold Smith that after consultation with Washington they had decided to advise us not to raise the question at this time. They did not object in principle, but they are at present re-examining the whole question of Article 43, and the relation of atomic weapons and conventional armaments to each other and to this article. The examination will not be completed for some time and they would therefore be embarrassed if the question were raised at present.

5. I propose to take no further action on this matter.

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VII. *United Nations Guard Force*

16. The Committee had for consideration a report by the Joint Planning Committee concerning the proposed organization of the United Nations Guard Force as drafted by the Secretary-General.

(Memorandum JPC 19-12 of 4th April, 1949, from Secretary, Joint Planning Committee—CSC 2-4-1-1 of 8th April).†

17. *The Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs* explained that two proposals were now being sponsored at the United Nations as to the committee which should handle the subject of the United Nations Guard Force. The first proposal was that the matter should be considered by the Interim Committee. However, as the U.S.S.R. were opposed to both the organization and work of the Interim Committee, they had requested that the matter be considered by a special sub-committee of the General Assembly. As the committee problem might be resolved at an early date, the recommendations of the Chiefs of Staff concerning the proposed organization of the United Nations Guard Force were required for transmission to the Canadian Delegate.

18. *The Chief of the General Staff* observed that the United Nations Guard Force was to be entirely non-military in character and that its duties were primarily those