

5. It has been contemplated in British plans that as soon as conditions warrant a civil authority referred to as a High Commission for Germany should take over from the Military Government as the supreme allied controlling body in Germany. This would begin Stage III, i.e., the later period of effective allied control. According to the Draft Agreement, however, the question of "the Allied organs required for carrying out the functions of control and administration of Germany" in the third stage would be the subject of a separate agreement between the three Powers.

B. Association of other Governments with Control Machinery

6. Participation in the General Direction of the Control Machinery for Germany

The original British proposal was that the European Allies and Commonwealth Governments contributing occupation forces should form an Advisory Council to the Control Commission. This has been dropped in view of objections by the Soviet and United States representatives on the European Advisory Commission. It is evident that it is the intention of the three governments to insist on a three-power pattern for the direction of the work of control. Even in the Divisions of the control machinery, corresponding to the departments of government, the Draft Agreement proposes that "at the head of each Division there will be three high-ranking officials, one from each Power". The plan for associating other governments now under consideration in the European Advisory Commission envisages that "the necessary consultation with the governments of the other United Nations chiefly interested will be ensured by the appointment by such Governments of military missions (which may include civilian members) to the Control Council having access, through the appropriate channels, to the organs of control". It is doubtful whether an Advisory Council as originally proposed would have been effective in securing a real participation in the direction of German control machinery. The right to appoint a mission to the Control Council would also not give the governments so represented any responsibility for general policy towards Germany. It should however provide a useful means of access to the supreme Allied authority in Germany which would serve to protect the national interests of the countries concerned.

7. Participation of Canadian Personnel in Military and Civil Divisions of the Control Commissions

i. Demilitarization Duties - Through military channels a request has been made for a large number of Canadian staff officers to be used inside the British zone in the disarmament of Germany. It is expected that about five thousand officers would be necessary for the British zone alone and that their duties would last for one year. These officers would form part of the staffs set up in the districts into which the British zone will be divided, charged with the duty of seeing to the disbandment of the German forces, the collection of arms and destruction of fortifications and armament plants within each district. It has been suggested that Canada might provide a share of these officers proportionate to the Canadian contribution to the occupation troops in the British zone, a number which probably would amount to between three and four hundred officers.

ii. Civil Divisions - The United Kingdom authorities also suggested last month that Canada and the other Dominions might provide personnel, both civil and military, suitable for

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