Paris offices could be prepared in other posts, they would make a useful addition to the material circulated to all missions.

SECTION B

ATTACHÉS MILITAIRES MILITARY ATTACHÉS

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Le secrétaire du Comité des chefs d'état-major au secrétaire du Comité mixte du renseignement

Secretary, Chiefs of Staff Committee to Secretary, Joint Intelligence Committee

SECRET

[Ottawa], January 25, 1947

APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE ATTACHÉS

I refer to your memorandum of December 14⁴ enclosing the recommendations of the Joint Intelligence Committee with regard to the general principles to be observed in the appointment of attachés and Service requirements and priorities based on these principles.

These proposals were considered by the Chiefs of Staff at their 376th meeting, January 21, and it was agreed:

- (a) To approve the general principles outlined by the Joint Intelligence Committee, in particular that the Joint Intelligence Committee should be responsible for the constant review of the requirements for attaché representation abroad and recommendations regarding priorities for appointments between the various Services;
- (b) That the Chief of the Air Staff and the Chief of the General Staff discuss the future policy regarding Service representation in Moscow on the understanding that only one Service attaché could be accommodated there at present; and
- (c) That the appointments of military attachés to other countries be considered individually at the appropriate time.

The following comments of the Under Secretary of State for External Affairs in regard to the proposed military attaché posts are brought to your attention:

- (a) Accommodation in Moscow for one attaché only was available.
- (b) Diplomatic Missions to Poland and Czechoslovakia were intended and it was suggested that one Service attaché for each country should be designated and proceed at the same time as the diplomatic representative.
- (c) The reasons for the appointment of a Service attaché to China as stated by the Joint Intelligence Committee did not appear valid.

Voir le volume 12, document 11./See Volume 12, Document 11.