

together on a definite proposal. For this purpose it was intended to have meetings of eight that night and Saturday.

4. Lall has been most active in consulting Russians. While he is not repeat not getting much encouragement, their attitude is not repeat not completely negative and he is continuing consultations.

5. Hassan suggested there was a danger that if a proposal supported by eight neutrals should be accepted by one side and not repeat not by others, neutrals would thereby incur a commitment to side accepting; therefore in some sense lose their impartial status. Others present, however, did not repeat not think that this possible outcome should prevent their acting.

6. Composition and duties of a Central International Control Organization were discussed. Consensus was that adjudicating body should be made up of non-aligned scientists of reputation; probably six whose decisions should be two-thirds majority. It should be their duty to call for explanations of events when seismic records indicated suspicion of a nuclear explosion. If no repeat no satisfactory explanation was furnished, they should request country on whose territory event had occurred to admit an inspecting team of neutrals. There should be some control stations, preferably in neutral countries, in addition to national detection systems which would supply data to Central International Control Organization. Inspections would only be needed when underground tests were suspected; those in atmosphere and under water can readily be detected by national systems.

7. We shall be keeping in touch and advising you of any further developments.

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*Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures  
à la délégation au Comité sur le désarmement*

*Secretary of State for External Affairs  
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In my opinion, it is increasingly important that the neutrals submit a written text embodying their proposals for a test ban compromise. I wish you to continue to give them as much encouragement as you can, and to impress them with the urgency of immediate action in putting forward a draft.

[H.C.] GREEN