

ARTICLE II

(a) The sub-paragraph of the Preamble to the Treaty "to take such steps as may be held necessary in the event of renewal by Germany of a policy of aggression" shall be modified to read:—

"to promote the unity and to encourage the progressive integration of Europe."

(b) the following new article shall be inserted in the Treaty as Article IV:

"IV. In execution of the Treaty the High Contracting Parties and any organs established by them under the Treaty shall work in close co-operation with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization."

The present Article IV of the Treaty and the succeeding articles shall be renumbered accordingly.

(c) Article VIII, formerly Article VII, of the Treaty, shall read:—

"For the purpose of consulting together on all questions dealt with in the present Treaty and its Protocol and the agreements and other documents set out in Article I above and of strengthening peace and security and of promoting unity and of encouraging the progressive integration of Europe and closer co-operation between member states and with other European organizations, the High Contracting Parties will create a Council, which shall be so organized as to be able to exercise its functions continuously. The Council shall meet at such times as it shall deem fit.

At the request of any of the High Contracting Parties, the Council shall be immediately convened in order to permit the High Contracting Parties to consult with regard to any situation which may constitute a threat to peace, in whatever area this threat should arise, or with regard to any situation constituting a danger to economic stability."

ARTICLE III

The present Protocol and the agreements set out in Article I above shall be ratified and the instruments of ratification shall be deposited as soon as possible with the Belgian Government. They shall enter into force upon the date of deposit of the last instrument of ratification.