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1. On 28 May 1952, Dr. HORN reported to FOB the developments of last weeks conferences resulting in the signing of the Contractual Agreement and EDC.

2. The most important point stressed by HORN was reported in reference. It can be restated that HORN, who normally is not an individual who keeps repeating himself, stated the necessity for US Government influence over the planned European Community at least five times.

3. Some other important points related by HORN were:

a. The entire issue of War Criminals. HORN has proposed to the three High Commissioners that War Criminals still in confinement be placed on furlough status as soon as possible and until such time as the new Allied and German Commission assumes responsibility. In this manner the High Commissioners are not required to make final decisions at a time which may prove embarrassing or unpolitic and at the same time create an interim solution to a serious German issue. HORN stated that the unresolved issue of the War Criminals involves the major issue of the future German Officer Corps. He has received numerous letters from very capable and experienced former officers who state they are very anxious to serve again, however, they will not join any future officers corps as long as some of their former senior officers are still in confinement.

Reportedly Mr. McCloy is in full agreement with HORN's suggestion to place them on indefinite interim furlough. Mr. Kirkpatrick was not sympathetic to the suggestion.

b. Directive which pools Europe's defense troops within the European Security Commissariat contains a proviso which authorizes individual nations to retain an undetermined number of military slots for individual national interests. UTILITY and HORN are both of the opinion that it will be possible to provide a number of slots, from those assigned to Germany toward a future GIS.

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c. The Blank Office will immediately establish a Military Planning Group in Paris. Though considerable objection was initially raised against having the planning groups in Paris, instead of Germany, SHAPE officials advised they should establish themselves near that Headquarters to maintain close contact. The group will concern themselves with (1) Organizational Structures; (2) Soldier and non-com career planning; (3) training and military schools; (4) equipment, armament and logistics; (5) pay and fiscal matters.

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