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ON THE EXPORT OF STRATEGIC GOODS FOR EXHIBITION AND

DEMONSTRATION PURPOSES

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Present: Belgium(Luxembourg), Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States.

References: COCOM Document 3318.

In November 1958 the German Delegation submitted in COCOM Document 3318 of November 27, an interesting account about the attempted diversion of a four-wheel drive vehicle that was to be exhibited at a trade fair. The German memorandum drew some conclusions from this case and in paragraph 10(b) made certain suggestions as to how such diversion attempts could be countered.

The United Kingdom authorities have taken note of the recommendations contained at the end of COCOM Document 3318 and have given consideration to the operation of the United Kingdom regulations and procedures governing the export of strategic goods for exhibition and demonstration purposes.

Arrangements have now been made in the United Kingdom for notifications to be sent to the authorities of member countries concerned of any temporary exportations to their countries from the United Kingdom for exhibition and demonstration. This arrangement will ensure that member countries are aware of the movement of such goods but the United Kingdom authorities will, of course, take such action as is appropriate to ensure that the exporting firms comply with undertakings given in respect of the return or disposal of such goods.

The Delegate concluded by saying that his authorities would be interested to hear the comments of other Member Governments.

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