

In course discussion Fon Off addressees requested canvass desirability of informing certain other countries with interest in ME defense of MEDO developments. Dept has in mind Italy, Pakistan and India. Italy, like Greece, will receive info thru NATO channels, but in Depts view might reasonably be accorded any additional courtesy extended Greece. Pakistan and India will have no NATO source info.

Dept assumes they will normally be kept informed through Commonwealth channels but that other sponsors also wld be free if they shld desire to communicate with them re MEDO.

Paris pass MacArthur for info only.

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Middle Eastern defense, but if it eventually materialized it would have a name and form different from that originally contemplated for MEDO. (Memorandum of conversation. July 17, 1953; 780.00/7-1753)

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PRESENT

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General Vandenberg	Mr. Byroade
Admiral Fechteler	Mr. Nitze
General Collins	Mr. Stabler
General Lemnitzer	Mr. Stelle
Admiral Wooldridge	
General Hull	
General Lee	
Admiral Fife	
General Cabell	
Colonel Carns	
Mr. Nash	

Mr. Matthews: I have been on leave for several weeks and am not familiar with the details of the aspects of the MEDO problem scheduled for discussion.

¹ A notation on the first page reads: "Draft. Not cleared with any of participants."

² The meeting was held at 11 a.m. in the Pentagon.