

In our view the paramount consideration is to give the widest possible authority to the United Nations and its organs and to do everything we can to make it a real factor in maintaining peace and securing orderly development among the nations of the world. Since the Security Council is the organ given by the United Nations a particular responsibility for maintaining peace, we consider that every opportunity should be taken by member nations to increase the authority and the sphere of responsibility of that body.

We believe our suggestion—that the Security Council should determine the armaments of the ex-enemy States—is a basis of approach which is in the general interests of peace. It would give a dynamic control to the Security Council, and it would impose on the Security Council a positive duty to secure the maintenance of peaceful conditions in the territories of the defeated European countries. Finally, it would be a positive beginning to the task of disarmament for which the Security Council has a special responsibility.

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