Reply by the WEU Council to written question 100 (London, 2 February 1967)

Caption: In a note dated 2 February 1967, the Secretary-General of Western European Union (WEU) circulates the reply by the WEU Council to written question 100 put by Étienne de la Vallée Poussin concerning the participation of other Member States in the Anglo-French variable-geometry aircraft project. The final text of the reply reproduces the draft reply drawn up by France and the United Kingdom, in which the two countries confirm that they are prepared to consider participation by other countries.

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SECRETARY-GENERAL'S NOTE

Written question 100
put to the Council by a member of the Assembly

The Secretary-General circulates herewith the Council's reply to written question 100 put to the Council by M. de la Vallée Poussin, a member of the Assembly Committee on Defence Questions and Armaments (cf. C (67) 4).

This reply, which was approved by the Council on lst February 1967, has now been transmitted to the Assembly (cf. CR (67) 2, III, 3).

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Text of written question 100

Will the Council examine the possibility of extending the proposed Anglo-French variable-geometry aircraft project to the participation of other member countries of W.E.U. so as to ensure the development of a European aircraft of this kind?

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Reply by the Council

The Anglo-French project for the development of a variable-geometry aircraft was a subject of a joint statement by the two Governments to the Standing Armaments Committee on 4th June 1965 and of a discussion in the Committee on 9th September the same year.

The French and British Governments have decided to pursue jointly the preliminary studies on this project. It would therefore be appropriate if any government, which may be in any way interested in this project, should approach, in the first instance, either the British or the French Governments. In principle the two Governments are prepared to consider industrial participation by other countries, including members of W.E.U.

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