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Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary-General to acknowledge the receipt of the letter dated 31 March 1947 from Lieutenant-General Pierre Billotte, former Chairman of the Military Staff Committee.

I am to inform you that the Press Communiqué for March which was enclosed has been issued by the Department of Public Information.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. SOBOLEV  
Assistant Secretary-General  
in Charge of Security Council Affairs

Lieutenant-General A. Ph. Vasiliev  
Chairman of the Military Staff Committee  
Henry Hudson Hotel  
New York, New York





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New York, le 31 Mars 1947

Monsieur le Secrétaire Général  
des Nations Unies

Monsieur le Secrétaire Général,

J'ai l'honneur de vous transmettre le texte d'un "Communiqué de Presse" adopté par le Comité d'Etat-Major, le 31 Mars 1947.

J'appelle votre attention sur le passage relatif aux déclarations faites par M. Trygve Lie au Comité d'Etat-Major, le 6 Mars 1947.

Je vous serais reconnaissant de bien vouloir faire assurer la diffusion de ce Communiqué à la Presse, si le passage relatif au Secrétaire Général reçoit votre agrément.

Veillez agréer, Monsieur le Secrétaire Général, l'expression de ma très haute considération.

Le Général de Division P. BILLOTTE  
Président du Comité d'Etat-Major.



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COMMUNIQUE DE PRESSE POUR LE MOIS DE MARS 1947

Au cours du mois de mars 1947, le Comité d'Etat-Major des Nations Unies a poursuivi l'étude des Principes de Base qui doivent régir l'organisation des Forces armées des Nations Unies.

Le Comité d'Etat-Major a en effet été invité par le Conseil de Sécurité, lors de sa cent-cinquantième réunion, le 13 février 1947, à présenter ses recommandations sur cette importante question, le 30 avril 1947 au plus tard.

M. Trygve Lie, Secrétaire général des Nations Unies, a assisté à l'une des réunions du Comité d'Etat-Major, le 6 mars 1947, au cours de laquelle il a fait la déclaration suivante:

"Toutes les Nations fondent leur espoir sur le Comité d'Etat-Major pour mettre sur pied les Forces armées des Nations Unies, prévues par la Charte de San Francisco, oeuvre de longue haleine dont le bénéfice s'étendra à l'Humanité toute entière."

Pendant /

Pendant le mois de mars 1947, les travaux du Comité d'Etat-Major ont principalement porté sur les principes d'organisation concernant le Degré de Préparation des Forces mises à la disposition du Conseil de Sécurité par les Nations Membres des Nations Unies, la fourniture de bases et autres facilités par les Nations Membres, la satisfaction des besoins logistiques, l'emplacement général, la direction stratégique et le commandement des Forces des Nations Unies.

Lors de la réunion du 27 mars, les Représentants de toutes les Délégations ont exprimé à l'Amiral Turner leurs regrets de son départ du Comité d'Etat-Major et tous leurs vœux au moment où il quitte le service actif de la Marine américaine.

La présidence du Comité d'Etat-Major passera le 1er avril 1947 du Général de Division P. Billotte, Chef de la Délégation française, au Général A. Ph. Vasiliev, Chef de la Délégation soviétique.

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## PRESS COMMUNIQUE FOR MARCH 1947

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During the month of March, 1947, the work of the Military Staff Committee was chiefly concerned with the principles of organization connected with the state of readiness of the Armed Forces made available to the Security Council by the Member Nations of the United Nations, the contributions of bases and other facilities by Member Nations, the fulfilling of logistical requirements, general location, strategic direction and command of the United Nations



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