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Lemmitzer Urges U.S. Retain A-Arms Control

LONDON, April 28 (AP) — Five allied defense ministers held Gen. Lyman D. Lemmitzer today that use of NATO's tactical, as well as strategic, nuclear weapons should remain under American control.

Lemmitzer, the Supreme Commander Allied Powers in Europe, was one of several top military men expounding on the role of tactical nuclear arms in Europe for the defense ministers of the United States, Britain, West Germany, Italy and Turkey.

Reactions of Robert S. McNamara of the United States, Denis Healey of Britain, West Germany's Karl-Heinz von Hassler, Italy's Roberto Fremet and Turkey's Altan C. Ersoy were not disclosed.

The usual pattern of last year in the group is for the military men to make their full presentation first — then for the political ministers to swap ideas and discuss the submissions.

The ministerial group forms part of a wider NATO study of nuclear planning and crisis management within the alliance. Its two-day meeting in London followed a similar one together in Washington in February when strategic nuclear arms were disclosed.

With Adm. T. H. Moorer, who is Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic, Lemmitzer set forth the military man's view of the problems connected with the control and use of tactical nuclear weapons.