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# U.S., Britain May Deny Paris NATO Secrets

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LONDON, Sept. 16 (AP)—American and British authorities today pondered moves to bar France from sharing the strategic and planning secrets of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

In reporting this, diplomats said officials of the two countries also are considering urgent action for the transfer of NATO's political headquarters from Paris to Brussels. Washington and London were said to want this switch quickly and favor holding the year-end session of NATO foreign ministers in Brussels rather than in Paris.

A decision was to have been taken by the foreign ministers of France's 14 partner states at a special meeting in Brussels next month. This meeting now seems unlikely to take place and more probably will be held immediately in advance of the regular December gathering of the 15.

The American-British studies are taking place in a mood of growing impatience with the attitude President Charles de Gaulle is taking in the wake of France's withdrawal from all NATO military activities.

Big issues are at stake.

They involve the defense of Europe and West Germany's dual, and sometimes conflicting, attachments to France on one side and to the Americans, British and other allies on the other.

One result of all this has been to touch off speculation among some Western diplomats about the need, ultimately, for high level American-British-West German talks on these matters.

As American and British officials see things, President de Gaulle is trying to lead France into a special and privileged position within the alliance. They fear the process could upset NATO concepts of fair burden-sharing and

tempt others to copy France's example.

Accordingly, Washington and London are moving to the view that a rougher attitude is needed to deal with the French, even if it means expelling France from NATO's top secret strategic and planning groups.

Among the many aspects of French withdrawal from NATO is the fact that she has pulled her men out of the Chiefs of Staff Committee in Washington and Supreme Headquarters, Allied Powers, Europe (shape). Instead she has offered liaison missions, which would have access to most of the strategic planning secrets of the alliance.