Reviving the Special Consultative Group: Past Experiences and Future Prospects

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This briefing by Martin Smith explores the NATO Experts' Group recommendation to "re-establish the Special Consultative Group (SCG) on Arms Control for the purpose of facilitating its own internal dialogue about the whole range of issues related to nuclear doctrine, new arms control initiatives, and proliferation". It offers, firstly, an historical analysis of the SCG to remind readers of its origins, purpose and effectiveness during the Cold War, and then considers what a revival of this almost-forgotten Alliance consultative forum might achieve in the current intra-NATO and international contexts. Read more in the attached pdf.

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