



Speaker: One of the important components of war is what happens after a war, what happened after World War I actually helped lead to World War II. Not wanting to repeat the same mistakes and lay the groundwork for World War III became an important political thing. The United States put together a plan conceived of by American secretary of state George C. Marshall, known as the Marshall plan which provided for economic aid to the European countries under the condition that they would work with the United States and together for mutual benefit. This laid the groundwork for NATO and eventually led to the European Union in 2004.

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