

SWEDEN



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# Exchange of Notes

between the Government of the  
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland  
and the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden  
concerning the Safeguards and  
Assurances relating to Transfers of  
Nuclear Material from the  
United Kingdom to Sweden

London, 16 May 1984

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*Presented to Parliament  
by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs  
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BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF  
GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE  
GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN CONCERNING  
THE SAFEGUARDS AND ASSURANCES RELATING TO  
TRANSFERS OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL FROM THE  
UNITED KINGDOM TO SWEDEN**

No. 1

*The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs to the  
Ambassador of Sweden at London*

*Foreign and Commonwealth Office  
London*

*16 May 1984*

Your Excellency,

1. I have the honour to refer to a letter of 11 January 1978 to the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) from the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland notifying its decision to act in accordance with the principles subsequently set out in the Appendix to IAEA document INFCIRC/254 dated February 1978<sup>(1)</sup>, a copy of which is attached. In reaching that decision the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland was fully aware of the need to contribute to the development of nuclear power in order to meet the world energy requirements, while avoiding contributing in any way to the dangers of a proliferation of nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, and of the need to remove safeguards and non-proliferation assurances from the field of commercial competition.

2. So that the United Kingdom Government may give effect to the Guidelines set out in the Appendix to that document (hereinafter referred to as 'the Guidelines') I have the honour to propose that, subject to paragraph 3 of this Note, the Government of Sweden shall, in respect of all transfers of nuclear material, equipment or technology from the United Kingdom to Sweden, comply with the following conditions:

- (a) in accordance with paragraph 2 of the Guidelines, items defined in Annex A to the Guidelines shall not be used in any way which would result in any nuclear explosive device;
- (b) in accordance with paragraph 3 of the Guidelines any such nuclear material and facilities identified in the above-mentioned Annex A shall be placed under effective physical protection in accordance with the protection characteristics set out in Annex B to the Guidelines, the implementation of those measures of physical protection within Sweden being the responsibility of the Government of Sweden;
- (c) in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Guidelines, IAEA safeguards shall apply to nuclear material transferred from the United Kingdom

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to Sweden, to its subsequent generations and to any nuclear material used in equipment transferred from the United Kingdom to Sweden and defined in the above-mentioned Annex A;

(d) in accordance with paragraph 10 of the Guidelines, Sweden shall not retransfer any items defined in Annex A to the Guidelines which were supplied by the United Kingdom to Sweden, or transfer any such items as may be derived from facilities originally transferred by the United Kingdom, or with the help of equipment or technology originally transferred by the United Kingdom, unless the recipient of the retransfer or transfer shall have first provided Sweden with the same assurances as those required by the United Kingdom for the original transfer; and additionally that Sweden shall not retransfer any weapons-usable material supplied by the United Kingdom or derived from material supplied by the United Kingdom without the prior consent of the United Kingdom.

3. If the United Kingdom should wish to transfer to Sweden any of the technology or facilities referred to in paragraph 6(a) of the Guidelines, the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of Sweden shall enter into further negotiations about appropriate assurances related to that transfer.

4. If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of Sweden I have the honour to propose that this Note, together with your reply in that sense, shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of Your Excellency's reply.

5. I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

(for the Secretary of State)

I. R. KENYON

No. 2

*The Ambassador of Sweden at London to the Secretary of State for Foreign  
and Commonwealth Affairs*

*Swedish Embassy  
London*

*16 May 1984*

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note dated 16 May 1984 which reads as follows:

[As in No. 1]

In reply, I have the honour to inform you that the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of Sweden and to confirm that your Note dated 16 May 1984, together with this reply, shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on this day's date.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

**LEIF LEIFLAND**