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**INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY
and
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS**

**Agreement on the making available of special fissionable
materials. Signed at Vienna, on 11 May 1959**

Official texts: English and Russian.

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**AGENCE INTERNATIONALE DE L'ÉNERGIE ATOMIQUE
et
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**Accord relatif à la fourniture de produits fissiles spéciaux.
Signé à Vienne, le 11 mai 1959**

Textes officiels anglais et russe.

Enregistré par l'Agence internationale de l'énergie atomique le 24 août 1959.

No. 4853. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS ON THE MAKING AVAILABLE OF SPECIAL FISSIONABLE MATERIALS. SIGNED AT VIENNA, ON 11 MAY 1959

The International Atomic Energy Agency and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics,

Seeking the further development of co-operation in the peaceful utilization of atomic energy throughout the world; and

Desiring to initiate the practical application of the provisions of Article IX of the Statute of the International Atomic Energy Agency,²

Have agreed as follows :

Article 1

The Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (hereinafter referred to as "the Government"), as a first step towards the fulfilment of Article IX of the Statute of the International Atomic Energy Agency (hereinafter referred to as "the Agency"), will make available to the Agency 50 (fifty) kilogrammes of uranium-235. The 50 kilogrammes of uranium-235 made available by the Government may be used by the Agency or its Members in accordance with the Statute of the Agency.

Article 2

The 50 kilogrammes of uranium-235 made available by the Government to the Agency may be supplied in any concentration up to 20 per cent, as desired by the Agency, in metallic form or in chemical compounds, and also as fabricated fuel elements, in accordance with the specifications agreed upon between the contracting parties.

Article 3

The Government undertakes to base prices on a scale of charges corresponding to the lowest international prices in effect at the time of delivery for enriched uranium hexafluoride and for uranium compounds according to their percentage content of uranium-235.

¹ Came into force on 11 May 1959, upon signature, in accordance with article 9.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 276, p. 3; Vol. 293, p. 359; Vol. 312, p. 427, and Vol. 316, p. 387.

Article 4

Special fissionable materials made available by the Government to the Agency shall be stored in the USSR until delivery is requested by the Agency.

The supply of special fissionable materials by the Government shall be implemented by the conclusion of specific contracts between the Government, or organs authorized thereto by it, and the Agency, or governmental organs of States Members of the Agency designated by the Members concerned. The contracts shall specify the conditions governing the chemical composition of the materials supplied, their quantity and form, delivery dates, transport and accounting procedures, and other specific technical or other conditions.

Article 5

Special fissionable materials made available by the Government to the Agency under the present Agreement shall be used as provided for in the Statute of the Agency.

Article 6

The Government expresses its willingness to continue in the future to provide special fissionable and other materials needed by the Agency for its work on the peaceful uses of atomic energy. For this purpose, the Agency and the Government shall enter into negotiations for supply of the materials mentioned in quantities and on terms to be mutually agreed.

Article 7

Immediately upon receipt of the special fissionable materials or any other materials supplied, the Agency shall assume all liability arising from the possession, use and transfer of such materials.

After delivery of special fissionable or any other materials to the Agency or to a Member of the Agency designated by it, the Government shall bear no responsibility arising from the possession, use or transfer of such materials. In the case of a direct delivery to a designated Member, the Agency itself shall bear no responsibility.

Article 8

The Agency and the Government may, when the occasion arises, enter into negotiations on the return to the Government, or to an organ designated by it, of spent special fissionable and other material for re-processing in factories of the Soviet Union.

Article 9

This Agreement shall enter into force on the day of its signature. It may be amended or supplemented by agreement between the Agency and the Government.

The Agreement shall cease to have effect one year after the day of its denunciation by the Agency of the Government.

DONE in duplicate in the English and Russian languages, both being equally authentic, this 11th day of May, 1959, in Vienna.

For the International
Atomic Energy Agency :

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For the Government
of the Union of Soviet
Socialist Republics :

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