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**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND
and
SWEDEN**

**Exchange of notes constituting an agreement 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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**ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD
et
SUÈDE**

**Échange de notes constituant un accord concernant les
sauvegardes et garanties relatives aux transferts de
matériel nucléaire du Royaume-Uni en Suède. Londres,
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EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ 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

I

*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, 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

¹ Came into force on 16 May 1984, the date of the note in reply, in accordance with the provisions of the said notes.

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 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

II

*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:

[See note I]

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.

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