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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, today announced that representatives of the Governments of India and Canada yesterday concluded and initialled in Ottawa two Agreements in the atomic energy field of far-reaching significance to both countries. These Agreements will be formally signed in New Delhi shortly.

One of these Agreements is between the atomic energy authorities of the two countries. These authorities will freely exchange scientific and technical information which has already been obtained, or may be obtained during the period of the Agreement, in regard to the development of heavy water moderated reactor systems. Either party will, if requested by the other, furnish information and detailed design data, including plans and working drawings regarding the design and construction of nuclear power stations of the heavy water type. Initially, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited will supply to the Indian Atomic Energy Department detailed design data, including working drawings, relating to the CANDU reactor and the Douglas Point Nuclear Generating Station now under construction in Canada.

This Agreement will initially run for a period of eight years and may be extended by mutual agreement. During the early years of the Agreement valuable information already developed as a result of Canada's special experience in heavy water systems will be transferred