

2. Would you agree that we should now propose a meeting of Mr. Bryce's informal committee, perhaps for the latter part of next week?<sup>46</sup> I think it desirable that this meeting be held as soon as possible in order to enable consideration of the various outstanding problems mentioned in the following paragraph.<sup>47</sup> The Euratom question and safeguards are particularly pressing since the presence of many senior scientific personalities in Europe in September for the Second Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy Conference would seem to provide an appropriate occasion for further action on these matters. Although all the papers required for a meeting of Mr. Bryce's committee have not yet been prepared, we are confident that this could be done in time for a meeting next week.

3. Very tentatively, I would suggest that a meeting of the committee might consider the following matters:

(a) Safeguards for nuclear materials. A Working Group report on this matter will be circulated to members of the committee prior to the meeting. In addition, Mr. Léger's letter of July 3† to Mr. Bryce raised the question of safeguards in relation to Euratom;

(b) Canadian co-operation with Euratom.

(c) Canadian participation in the voluntary programmes of the International Atomic Energy Agency, including the question of a Canadian financial contribution.

In addition, a number of other problems loom on the horizon and it might be opportune to mention them at the meeting, if the necessary briefing material can be prepared in time. We are thinking, in particular, of the problem of Canadian co-operation with the European Nuclear Energy Agency (OEEC), the control of exports of nuclear grade calcium and the conclusion of a bilateral agreement for co-operation in the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy with Australia.

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CANADIAN CO-OPERATION WITH EURATOM

The Euratom treaty entered into effect on January 1, 1958, and since then both the United States and the United Kingdom have undertaken negotiations with Euratom, with a view to the conclusion of agreements for co-operation in atomic matters. The purpose of this memorandum is to outline the benefits which might be expected to accrue to Canada as a result of the establishment of some kind of co-operation between Canada and Euratom, and to describe the forms which this co-operation might take.

2. As a major producer of uranium, for which demand after 1962 is uncertain, Canada has an acute interest in the development of new markets for this product. The most likely potential purchasers are the Euratom countries, which have embarked on an ambitious atomic power programme and will probably emerge as substantial consumers of uranium

<sup>46</sup> Note marginale :/Marginal note:  
Yes please. D.V. LeP[an]

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To be held Aug 6 at 3p.m. [J. Langley]