

Canadian authorities have taken every feasible precaution to limit to the greatest extent possible any harmful effects of these component parts on persons or property.

The Canadian Government reserves all its rights in international law on the matter of liability and compensation in relation to this incident. The Canadian Government will be raising this matter separately with the Government of the USSR in due course.

In accordance with Article 5(1) of the 1968 Agreement, Canada is also notifying the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

The Department of External Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics the assurances of its highest consideration.

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