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SIGNATURE OF NUCLEAR AGREEMENT BETWEEN
CANADA AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Don Jamieson, announces the signing today of a nuclear cooperation agreement between the Government of Canada and the European Atomic Energy Community. The following is the text of the Joint Communiqué issued in Brussels.

"An Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters was signed in Brussels on January 16, 1978 by the Commissioner responsible for Energy, Dr. Guido Brunner, and by the Chargé d'Affaires of the Mission of Canada to the European Communities, Mr. P.D. Lee.

"The safeguards agreement which has been negotiated is an updating of the existing agreement between the Government of Canada and the European Atomic Energy Community for Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy which was signed on October 6, 1959.

"The principal features of the amended agreement are as follows:

- 1) No material, subject to the agreement as amended, may be used for the manufacture of any nuclear weapon or for any other military use of nuclear energy, or for the manufacture of any other nuclear explosive device.
- 2) This undertaking and other provisions of the agreement will be verified in Canada by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and in the Community by Euratom and the IAEA in accordance with the agreements concluded between Euratom, its Member States and the IAEA.