REAFFIRMING their commitment to mutual cooperation in nuclear research and development as provided for in the Canada/EURATOM Agreement of 1959;

Having regard to the Declaration on European Community-Canada Relations adopted on November 22, 1990 as well as the Joint Political Declaration on Canada-EU Relations and Joint Canada-EU Action Plan of December 17,1996;

RECALLING that Canada and the Member States of the Community are parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and members of the International Atomic Energy Agency;

DESIRING to strengthen cooperation in the peaceful, non-explosive, non-military uses of nuclear research and encourage the application of the results of such cooperation to their economic and social benefit;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

## ARTICLE 1

## Purpose

The purpose of this Agreement is to encourage and facilitate cooperation, in fields of common interest in the peaceful, non-explosive, non-military uses of nuclear energy where the Parties are supporting research and development activities to advance science and/or technology relevant to those fields of interest.