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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS HAS ANNOUNCED THAT NEGOTIATIONS HAVE OPENED IN OTTAWA WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY ON THE TERMS OF A PROPOSED BILATERAL AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY. THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT WILL PROVIDE FOR COOPERATION ON A RECIPROCAL BASIS OVER A BROAD FIELD INCLUDING THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND THE SUPPLY FROM EITHER COUNTRY TO THE OTHER OF EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS OF IMPORTANCE IN THE PEACEFUL UTILIZATION OF ATOMIC ENERGY. IT WILL MAKE POSSIBLE IN PARTICULAR THE CONCLUSION OF CONTRACTS FOR THE SUPPLY OF URANIUM FROM CANADA TO GERMANY ON A COMMERCIAL BASIS.

THE REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH COUNTRIES WILL PROMPTLY REPORT TO THEIR GOVERNMENTS THE RESULTS OF THE PRESENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITH A VIEW TO THE EARLY CONCLUSION OF THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT.