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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Mr. President,

Thank you very much for your letter re-affirming the willingness of the United States, in principle, to supply special nuclear materials for the United Kingdom nuclear weapon programme subject, of course, to your ability to satisfy the needs of your own defence programmes.

I welcome the discussions between the representatives of the United States Department of Energy and the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence, and I am glad that they will be able to consider the question of amending the 1958 Agreement between the United Kingdom and United States Governments for Co-operation in the Uses of Atomic Energy for Mutual Defense Purposes. I am very grateful to you for your willingness to assist us in this important aspect of the United Kingdom nuclear weapon programme, and I agree that this further strengthens existing exchange programmes on nuclear matters which are mutually beneficial to our respective governments.

Yours sincerely  
Margaret Thatcher

The President of the United States of America

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