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MIPT : LETTER FROM CHANCELLOR KOHL TO THE PRIME MINISTER
FOLLOWING IS TEXT:

QUOTE I AM WRITING TO YOUR TODAY ON A MATTER OF GREAT
IMPORTANCE FOR THE FUTURE OF MANKIND.

AT PRESENT 355 NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS ARE IN
OPERATION WORLDWIDE. OTHERS ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION. IN 1985,
NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS GENERATED ABOUT 15 PER CENT OF THE
WORLD'S ELECTRIC POWER. YOUR COUNTRY ALSO OBTAINS ITS ELECTRIC
POWER FROM NUCLEAR ENERGY OR IS IN THE PROCESS OF CONSTRUCTING
NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS. THE EFFECTS WHICH THE OPERATION OF A
NUCLEAR POWER STATION CAN HAVE EXTEND WELL BEYOND NATIONAL
ORDERS.

THIS GLOBAL SPREAD OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY IS DUE
NOT LEAST TO THE FACT THAT THE COUNTRIES USING NUCLEAR ENERGY
HAVE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING CO-OPERATED WITH ONE ANOTHER ON THE
SCIENTIFIC, TECHNOLOGICAL AND SECURITY ASPECTS OF SUCH NUCLEAR
FACILITIES. CONDUCTING SUCH CO-OPERATION IN A WAY THAT IT
ENSURES THE BEST POSSIBLE WELFARE AND PROTECTION FOR THE PEOPLE
IS IN THE INTEREST OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL

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IN MY VIEW THIS CO-OPERATION CAN AND SHOULD BE IMPROVED TO ENSURE THAT ALL NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS MEET HIGH SECURITY STANDARDS AND AFFORD PROTECTION AGAINST UNINTENTIONALLY RELEASED RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES.

MAY I THEREFORE SUGGEST THAT HIGH-RANKING GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES - INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS - MEET IN CONFERENCE TO CONSIDER WAYS OF AFFORDING BETTER PROTECTION TO THE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS. THE AGENDA FOR SUCH A CONFERENCE COULD BE DRAWN UP AT A PRELIMINARY MEETING AT A SUITABLE LEVEL.

IF IT IS DEEMED DESIRABLE, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY WOULD BE PREPARED TO ACT AS HOST TO SUCH A CONFERENCE.

I WOULD BE MOST GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD LET ME KNOW WHETHER YOU AGREE TO MY PROPOSAL. UNQUOTE.

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