



Prime Minister  
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Dear John,

PM has seen  
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Nuclear Cooperation between Germany and  
Argentina

You asked for a draft PQ and Answer  
to deal with reports in the media that  
Germany has been helping Argentina to  
acquire nuclear weapons.

I attach a draft.

Yours over.

(F N Richards)  
Private Secretary

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DRAFT PQ

Will the Government make a statement on the reports of cooperation between Germany and Argentina on nuclear weapons?

DRAFT ANSWER

*of the F.R.*  
~~The German Government made a statement on these matters on April 19. I am happy to confirm that we~~ *We*  
 The Government are entirely satisfied that, <sup>first</sup> ~~as was~~  
~~stated by the German Government on 19 April,~~ there is no  
 truth in suggestions <sup>of</sup> ~~that~~ Germany ~~is~~ <sup>for</sup> supporting Argentina  
 in the acquisition of an atomic bomb, <sup>and secondly</sup> that cooperation in  
 the nuclear field between <sup>the two countries</sup> Germany and Argentina is firmly  
 tied into an effective non-proliferation policy, ~~and that~~  
<sup>A</sup> all the relevant agreements on cooperation for peaceful  
 purposes have been approved by the International Atomic  
 Energy Agency.

*of support from the FRG for A,*

*Open MS.*

*We are entirely satisfied both that there is no truth in suggestion of support from the FRG for A in the ac of an a bomb, and that coop in the n.p. between the two countries is firmly etc*