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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Year Lord Markell.

Thank you for your letter of 7 December which I read with great interest. I was glad to hear about the progress which you are making in setting up the World Association of Nuclear Operators.

As you know, Mr Gorbachev had to postpone his visit. But when I next see him, I shall certainly tell him of the importance I attach to the continuing development of collaboration in promoting the safety of civil nuclear power and that I particularly welcome the new Association. I entirely agree that progress depends upon the free and open exchange of information.

Dan regards,

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