

**April 4, 1976**

**Letter from Akbar Etemad, President of the Atomic  
Energy Organization of Iran, to Hans-Hilger  
Haunschild, Deputy Minister in the Federal Ministry  
of Research and Technology of FRG**

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**Summary:**

Etemad acknowledges receipt of a letter from Haunschild stating that in the future West Germany and Iran may cooperate " to build uranium enrichment, or fuel reprocessing installations in Iran."

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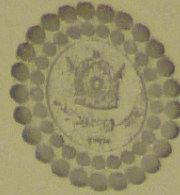
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Atomic Energy Organization of Iran  
President



July 4, 1976

Mr. Hans-Hilger Haunschild  
Deputy Minister in the Federal Ministry of  
Research and Technology  
of the Federal Republic of Germany  
Bonn

Excellency:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of today, which reads as follows:

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This Agreement provides for a close co-operation in the carrying out of the nuclear power programmes of the two countries. Both sides are aware of the fact that in a later stage of the realization of the Iranian programme, when several nuclear power stations will be in operation, after consultation with the German side, it might be found necessary, for economic or practical reasons, to build uranium enrichment, or fuel reprocessing installations in Iran. In accordance with Article 1, paragraph 1, lit. f, the German side is prepared to co-operate with Iran in these areas.

The German side may require German participation in uranium enrichment and fuel reprocessing installations resulting from such a co-operation.

Scope, terms and conditions of the co-operation in these areas will in due time be agreed upon by the Contracting Parties in special arrangements to be concluded under Article 1, paragraph 2 of the Agreement.

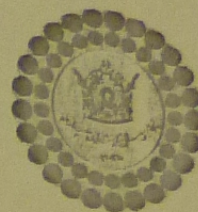
On behalf of my Government, I would like to express the view that the Contracting Parties, when taking decisions on the construction and operation of uranium enrichment or fuel reprocessing installations should consider multilateral arrangements, taking into account appropriate concepts, as may have found broad international acceptance.

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*I have the honor to confirm on behalf of my Government that the Iranian side is in agreement with the content of your letter, with the understanding that the concepts referred to in the fifth paragraph of your letter would be international concepts evolving from open discussions among diverse, interested groups of nations.*

*Accept, Excellency, the expression of my highest consideration.*

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