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ITALIAN NUCLEAR TANKER PROJECT SUBMITTED TO EURATOM

WASHINGTON, July 29 -- Representatives of Italy's National Nuclear Research Committee, the Fiat Company, and the Ansaldo Shipyards have submitted to the Euratom Commission a research and development project for a nuclear-powered ship, it was reported from Brussels today.

The project would provide for a large tanker (52,000 tons) powered by a water-type reactor of advanced design, to be developed in Italy. It is expected that Euratom will provide technical and financial aid for the execution of the program which would take two years and be of potential interest to the nuclear industries of other Euratom countries.