

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**U.K. - EURATOM COMMITTEE REVIEWS COOPERATION OF LAST YEAR**

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 11, 1966 -- The United Kingdom - Euratom Continuing Committee held its seventh meeting at Lancaster House in London yesterday.

The Committee, which was established under the U.K. - Euratom Agreement for Cooperation of February 4, 1959, reviewed the activities of Euratom and the United Kingdom in the peaceful uses of atomic energy since the sixth meeting in June 1965. The two parties discussed current and expected development in their nuclear research and power programs and noted the increasing industrial orientation of the programs.

The Committee acknowledged the parallel approaches of Euratom and the U.K. to these programs and agreed to discuss, at the working level, uranium supply and the role of nuclear power in energy programs. It also reviewed the exchange of information and the visits made in many areas of basic research under the 1959 agreement.

Mr. Pierre Chatenet, President of the Euratom Commission, and Mr. E.M.J.A. Sassen, member of the Commission, represented the Community at the meeting. United Kingdom representatives were Mr. Anthony Wedgewood Benn, Minister of Technology, and Sir William Penney, chairman of the U. K. Atomic Energy Authority (UKAEA). Sir James Majoribanks, British ambassador to the European Communities, and senior officials from both sides were also present. After the meeting, Mr. Benn, Mr. Sassen, and Sir William visited the UKAEA establishment at Dounreay, where the British research fast reactor is operating and a prototype fast reactor for power production is under construction.

The next meeting of the Continuing Committee is to be held in Brussels in 1967.

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