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UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL  
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DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION

Letter dated 22 January 1986 from the Permanent Representatives  
of Argentina and Brazil to the United Nations addressed to the  
Secretary-General

We have the honour to transmit to you the attached text of the Joint Declaration on Nuclear Policy signed on 30 November 1985 at Foz do Iguagu, Brazil, by the Presidents of the Argentine Republic, Dr. Raúl Alfonsín, and the Federative Republic of Brazil, Dr. José Sarney, and to request that this text be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under the items entitled, "Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency", "United Nations Conference for the Promotion of International Co-operation in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy" and "Development and international economic co-operation".

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ANNEX

Joint Declaration on Nuclear Policy, Signed on 30 November 1985  
at Fox do Iguazu by the Presidents of Argentina and Brazil

The President of the Argentine Republic, Dr. Raúl Alfonsín, and the President of the Federative Republic of Brazil, Dr. José Sarney, following talks held at Puerto Iguazú, Argentina, and Foz do Iguazu, Brazil, from 29 to 30 November 1985,

Considering:

That nuclear science and technology are of far-reaching importance in the life of every modern country in providing significant impetus for social and economic development,

That both countries have for many years assiduously investigated and studied the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, and that this has required them to make vast investments in order to attain an appreciable degree of knowledge, by virtue of which the possibility of enabling their respective peoples to enjoy the benefits of the progress created by the peaceful use of nuclear energy is now within reach,

That co-operation between Argentina and Brazil will serve to multiply the benefits which the two countries can mutually derive from the peaceful use of nuclear energy, and will better prepare them to confront the growing problems in the international supply of nuclear equipment and materials,

That this co-operation must be open to all Latin American countries seeking to be partners in it,

Reiterate:

1. Their commitment to develop nuclear energy solely for peaceful purposes;
2. Their intention to co-operate closely in all aspects of the peaceful use of nuclear energy and to complement each other in areas to be determined by common agreement;
3. Their fervent desire that this co-operation should be extended to other Latin American countries having the same objectives;

Declare:

4. Their decision to establish a joint Working Group under the authority of the Argentine and Brazilian Ministries of Foreign Affairs, composed of representatives of the nuclear Commissions and enterprises of both countries, for the promotion of relations between the two countries in that area and of the two countries' development in the field of nuclear technology, and for the establishment of mechanisms to safeguard the prevailing interests of peace,

security and development in the region, without prejudice to the technical aspects of co-operation, which shall continue to be governed by the instruments currently in force.

In accordance with the objectives mentioned above, the two Presidents shall instruct their respective Ministries of Foreign Affairs to convene a meeting of the Working Group within 120 days in order to study the procedures for the implementation of this Declaration.

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