

AN AGREEMENT made this 20th day of July of the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five

BETWEEN the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority (hereinafter referred to as "the Authority") of the one part and the Swiss Federal Council (hereinafter referred to as "the Purchaser") of the other part,

Whereby it is Agreed and Declared as follows:

- I. (1) The Purchaser has supplied to the Authority and the Authority has received on the 8th December, 1954, c.i.f. Salwick, 74 (seventy-four) drums containing 36 468 1/2 lbs. (thirty-six thousand four hundred and sixty-eight and a half pounds avoirdupois) net wet weight, Special Belgian Ore Concentrates (Ionex precipitates), which Concentrates the Purchaser has bought from and paid for to the Union Miniere du Haut-Katanga of Brussels.
- (2) The Authority will, acting in this respect on the Purchaser's behalf, draw a normal amount of samples from the said 74 drums of Ore Concentrates in the presence of Mr. Alfred H. Knight, 51/55 Highfield Street, Liverpool, representing the said Union Miniere.
- (3) The Authority will analyse these samples in accordance with the standard methods as at present applied for the analyses of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority's own Special Belgian Ore Concentrates (Ionex precipitates), and communicate the result of the analysis as soon as possible to both the Swiss Legation in London and the Union Miniere du Haut-Katanga.
- (4) The said 74 empty drums are not returnable.
- II. (1) The Authority will supply to the Purchaser 10 (ten) metric tons (of a thousand kilogrammes each) of Uranium metal as follows:
- (a) 1800 (one thousand eight hundred) machined and sheathed Uranium rods of the Springfields Works' original production, weighing together about 4850 kg. (four thousand eight hundred and fifty kilogrammes) (Uranium content), 11.58" (eleven point five eight inches) long and of an outer diameter of 1.06" (one point nought six inches), the sheaths to consist of Aluminium about 0.03" (nought point nought three inches) thick. The Authority will pack these 1800 sheathed Uranium rods in non-returnable wooden boxes suitable for air transport to Switzerland, each box to contain 10 (ten) sheathed rods and each box to be sealed by the Authority, marked "Special Metal Components", and numbered "S.S.A.1" to S.S.A.180". These 1800 rods will be delivered by the Authority or its authorised agent at Ringway Airport, Manchester, to the person duly authorised by the Purchaser, in such quantities and at such times as the authorised person will indicate, the first delivery to take place not later than ten weeks from the date of the signature of this Agreement and the last delivery not later than four weeks after the first delivery.
- (b) A sample consignment consisting of about 100 kg (one hundred kilogrammes) of machined Uranium rods without sheaths, of a diameter of 1.15" (one point one five inches), of a standard length as at present available and as offered, on the 18th January, 1955, by Dr. Finniston to Professor Scherrer, these rods to be packed in about five non-returnable wooden boxes suitable for air transport to Switzerland, sealed by the Authority, marked "Special Metal Components", and numbered "S.S.A.01" to S.S.A.05". The Authority or its authorised agent will deliver this sample consignment at Ringway Airport, Manchester, not later than four weeks from the date of the signature of this Agreement, to the person duly authorised by

the Purchaser and at the time indicated by this person.

In the absence of any representations within ten days from their delivery these sample rods will be deemed to be accepted as regards the standard of purity and surface finish to be maintained for the complete supply.

- (c) 5050 kg (five thousand and fifty kilogrammes) of Uranium rods the type or types, dimensions, sheathing, packing, and delivery of which to be agreed upon subsequently to the examination of the sample rods mentioned under (b) above.

- III. (1) Within 30 (thirty) days after delivery of each consignment to the authorised person the Purchaser will pay to the Authority the sum of [£8,000 (eight thousand pounds)] per metric ton of sheathed rods and the sum of [£7,000 (seven thousand pounds)] per metric ton of uncovered rods. The payments will be made in accordance with the Anglo-Swiss monetary agreement of the 12th March, 1946, as extended from time to time. With each assignment the Authority or its authorised agent will hand the person authorised to take delivery, three copies of the corresponding invoice addressed to Dr. M. Ikle, Director of the Swiss Federal Finance Administration, Berne.
- (2) After delivery the rods shall be at the sole risk of the Purchaser. The Purchaser will be responsible for making arrangements for the conveyance of the rods by air from the place of delivery to Switzerland.
- (3) If the delivery of any consignment or part of a consignment is delayed at the request of the Purchaser, the Purchaser will pay to the Authority such costs as may result from the delay including any additional costs incurred by the Authority for storage, transport, unloading, and reloading of the consignment or part thereof.
- IV. The Authority undertakes to deal with all export requirements and formalities involved.
- V. This Agreement shall be considered as a contract made in England and subject to English law.

Done in , this *20th* day of *July* one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five, in four copies, two for the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority and two for the Swiss Federal Council:

Signed for and on behalf of
the United Kingdom Atomic
Energy Authority.

H. Picard

Signed for and on behalf of
the Swiss Federal Council.

E. Däniker