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Dear Dr. Velikhov,

It was my pleasure to have had a familiar talk with you about the international problems of peaceful uses of nuclear energy such as the ITER project on your visit to Japan in January.

In connection with this, I would like to propose that the persons concerned and/or researchers of Japan and Russia exchange information on the following two topics. I believe this will promote further development of the cooperative relations between our two countries. Please kindly take them into consideration.

- 1) Enriched uranium of Russia, of which amount is quite small, will soon be actually exported to Japan. This is desirable. It will be technically useful for both sides that the persons concerned and/or researchers exchange information on the background of the export of enriched uranium, that is the present status of technical development of uranium enrichment in each country. It will also contribute to the stability of international dealing of enriched uranium in the long run. I propose you send a special team with this specific mission to Japan.
- 2) In my understanding, your institute has also promoted R&D of analysis of a very small quantity of plutonium in the environment making use of mass-spectroscopy. I think it will be useful for us to start an academic interchange between researchers of the Japanese universities such as Kyoto University, and yours, with an exchange of papers published for instance at the beginning. This will lead to the actual cooperation between two countries in the future. I would like to know whether

this is acceptable to you or not. If you agree to this plan, please inform me of the names and other related information of your researchers.

I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely yours,

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Executive Vice Chairman