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Letter from Alan C. Goodison, Eastern Department of the Foreign Office, to C. J. Audland, British Embassy in Buenos Aires

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Summary:

Noting some inaccuracy in the Canadian Defence Research Board report---Argentina could not have offered to sell its "entire production" of uranium if it was also selling concentrate to Germany and trying to sell it to Japan—Goodison, of the Foreign Office's Eastern Department, asked Audland, a political officer at the British Embassy in Buenos Aires, to "keep your ears to the ground" to find the "exact quantities" involved.

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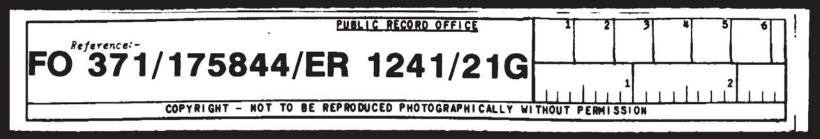
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Thank you for your letter 1244/646 of June 4 about sales of Argentine uranium concentrate.

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2. It would seem from what you have been able to find out that the original Canadian report was inaccurate. The Argentine Government can hardly have concluded an agreement for the sale of the entire Argentine production of uranium concentrate to Israel if they have also sold uranium to dest Germany and offered it to Japan. We should be grateful if you would continue to keep your ears to the ground bearing in mind (though I realise this is a tall order) that what we and the Defense Intelligence Staff really want to know is the exact quantities of uranium concentrate involved in any sales.

3. The D.I.S. have now, with Canadian permission, passed the information on which my letter of April 29 was based to the Americans. There would therefore be no objection to Patrick Bright, to whom I an sending a copy of this letter, mentioning this correspondence to the State Department.

4. I am also sending copies of this letter to Kellas in Tel Aviv, Maitland in Cairo, Ramsbotham in Paris, Askell in the Defence Intelligence Staff and Redpath in the Commonwealth Relations Office.

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