

**December 8, 1964**

**Letter from R. C. Treweeks, Defense Intelligence Staff, to Alan C. Goodison, Eastern Department of the Foreign Office**

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**Summary:**

In his letter to Goodison, Treweeks declares that the Defense Intelligence Staff agreed with J. Koop's conclusion that Dimona was capable of pursuing a nuclear weapons program. Goodison's previous letter to Treweeks is attached.

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I enclose a copy of ~~a letter from Tel~~ Kellie's letter 1242/164G of October 8 to me about the Canadian ISI report No 1/bt, "Possible Israeli Military Nuclear Program", of which you were good enough to let us have a copy.

2. I should be grateful for any comment you can, without a trouble, provide on this paper, which we could pass to Tel Aviv. ~~The passage on plutonium separation seems to me to go further than you would consider advisable, and this may be because the writer clearly did not at the time know we have access to the categorical U.S. statements, based on Ben Hiss inspection of Dimona, that there are no separation facilities here. On the other hand the writer also did not have our recent information about large uranium supplies from the Argentine. We have not yet committed ourselves to the view in the fourth sentence of the summary prefixed to the paper, and I am therefore inclined to treat it with greater reserve than one Tel Aviv. What do you think?~~

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This is incorrect: pp attached: especially Page A.

The writer's view is supported by

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November 27, 1964.

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*Dear Goodison*

Thank you for your letter ER 1241/32/G of 27th November, 1964.

The Canadian DSI paper 1/64 is, in our opinion, extremely well organised, makes the most of the basic material available and, as far as we can see, leaves none outstanding. We agree with what is said and with the conclusions.

I hope you will find that this answers the query in para.2 of your letter. Such differences as there may be between ourselves and the Canadians would only be in shade and not in matter or conclusions and therefore are not worth dwelling upon.

Though your letter to me did not deal with any material from the report and was therefore graded SECRET we should be grateful if you would make it clear to Kellas that it (and any correspondence drawing on material from it) must, for the time being at any rate, be restricted to CANADIAN/UK EYES ONLY.

*Yours sincerely*

*R.C. Treweek*

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