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**Letter, Indian Foreign Secretary Subimal Dutt to
Deputy Secretary to the United Nations**

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Summary:

In a note to India's Deputy Secretary to the United Nations, India's Foreign Secretary Subimal Dutt recounts Dr. Homi Bhabha's opinion of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

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Dr. Bhabha has been speaking to me about the International Atomic Energy Agency. In his view this Agency has not been doing any useful work. Its Director-General, Mr. Cole, has proved even worse than expected. This Agency has a special position in that it does not report to the Economic and Social Council but to the UN direct. Some people think and with this Dr. Bhabha agrees that the Agency should be integrated with the UN. What they have in mind is that the Agency should be regarded as a branch subordinate office of the UN situated in Vienna like the European office of the UN at Geneva. The staff of the Agency would form part of the UN Secretariat. Dr. Bhabha enquired whether such a change in the position of the Agency is feasible.

I am not aware of any precedent in which the special [sic] Agency has ceased to function or become merged in the UN Secretariat. However, the relevant rules may be looked up.

(S. Dutt), 04-06-1958

Addressed to DS(UN)