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and quote: FHP/1318/73
Your reference:

[redacted]
Director, AWRE
Aldermaston

Dear [redacted]

PNE

1. I note that as from 1 April the small effort you have allocated to PNE will be done under contract to AEA, and that the nominated AEA project director is [redacted].

2. Of course, I quite agree that this is a logical move and I fully understand that the work being done does not at all concern the development of devices, but concentrates on the engineering and health aspects of using PNE's. For the record, however, I should like your assurance that no nuclear explosive development or design information is, or will be, involved in the work for AEA.

Yours sincerely

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[REDACTED]
UK Atomic Energy Authority
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

1. I believe that, as from 1 April 1973, the AEA will place a contract with AWRE for the small amount of PNE work now being carried on, and that you will be the AEA HQ end of this effort.
2. You will therefore wish to have the following copies of correspondence between myself and [REDACTED] on this subject, and also the attached letter which I have just written to [REDACTED] on this subject.
3. Because of the possible close association of PNE work with nuclear testing and weapons expertise, I should be most grateful if you could continue to keep me informed of your work and intentions in this field.
4. I have no doubt, too, that [REDACTED] as Chairman of the NPO(G) has an interest in these matters and I am copying the note to him as well as to [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

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OUR REF: CPA/73/32
YOUR REF:

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15 February 1973

[REDACTED]
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Ministry of Defence
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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of 7 February 1973 giving your guidance on the French approach to [REDACTED] about the possibility of exchanges on PNE matters. You may know that [REDACTED] in the Authority London Office has been nominated to co-ordinate the UKAEA PNE activities from 1 April and I think it would be helpful if you could send him a copy of your letter.

[REDACTED] has recently received a letter from [REDACTED] to which he has sent a reply and I have asked him to send copies to you in case you wish to keep in detailed touch with any exchanges.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Chief of Applied Physics

cc [REDACTED]