

Report Reveals Germany Funded Israeli Nuclear Program



Berlin, April 15 (RHC)-- West Germany secretly helped and funded Israel with its development of nuclear weapons in the 1960s, according to a report from Berlin. The government of former German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer clandestinely channeled hundreds of millions of dollars into Israel's nuclear program, said a report published in the German daily Die Welt on Tuesday.

According to the report, the informal deal was made when former Israeli President Shimon Peres was in charge of the regime's nuclear weapons project. The U.S. recently released documentation from its 1987 assessment of Israel's nuclear weapons capabilities, following a Freedom of Information Act request.

The declassified documents paralleled Israel's nuclear research laboratories to US nuclear facilities known to carry out weapons research. The Soreq and Dimona nuclear facilities "are the equivalent of our Los Alamos, Lawrence Livermore and Oak Ridge National Laboratories."

The Israeli regime, widely believed to possess between 200 to 400 nuclear warheads in its arsenals, refuses to either allow inspections of its nuclear facilities or join the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

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