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EURATOM TO PURCHASE
DUTCH ACCELERATOR

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 18 -- The European Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) has concluded with the Dutch company High Voltage Engineering a contract for the supply of a positive-ion Van de Graaf accelerator with a maximum power of one million e.v.

Intended for Euratom's Joint Research Center at Ispra, this apparatus will serve as a source of neutron pulsations for the critical assembly ECO to be constructed under the Orgel project (study of a neutral uranium fueled, heavy-water-moderated and organic liquid-cooled reactor string).

This apparatus is the second of its kind to be ordered by the Commission from High Voltage Engineering. In 1960, this firm was commissioned to supply the Central Nuclear Measurements Bureau set up by Euratom at Geel (Belgium) with a positive-ion, three million e.v. Van de Graaf accelerator for neutron experiments.

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