

Aide Says Mexico Is Able to Produce A-Bomb, but Won't

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MEXICO CITY, May 25 (Reuters)—Mexico now has the capability of manufacturing an atom bomb but has no present intention of doing so, José Gorositz, director of the National Nuclear Energy Commission, said today.

Mr. Gorositz declared:

"From the technical and scientific viewpoint we have the necessary elements to make this bomb but nothing is further from our objective.

"On the contrary, Mexico has made a unilateral declaration calling for denuclearization of all of Latin America for military purposes."

Mr. Gorositz said Mexico would never permit manufacture or transportation of nuclear weapons within the country nor installation of bases that could serve for launching such weapons.

Others Have Potential

In addition to the five nations that have tested nuclear weapons—the United States, Britain, the Soviet Union, France and Communist China—there are a number of others capable of making nuclear weapons.

Among them are countries such as India, Japan, Israel, Sweden and the United Arab Republic. Of these, it has been reported that the one most likely to make an effort to produce the bomb is Israel.