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Following is Embassy translation of reply dated 29 January by Defense  
Minister Andreotti to January 5 letter from Secretary of Defense McNamara  
proposing replacement of Italian Jupiters by Polaris.

Quote Further to my letter No. 630035 of January 11, 1963 I am happy to  
advise you that the Italian Government has indicated its approval with respect  
to the modernization of missile weapons referred to in your letter of January 5.

Quote Therefore I would deem it appropriate to begin, as you have suggested,  
mutual consultations with a view to reaching specific agreements.

Quote I am therefore waiting to hear from you concerning the procedures  
through which the above can be accomplished. End Quote

Embassy has not seen January 11 letter but is advised by Defense Ministry  
it was merely interim reply.

Original text being pouched.

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