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Dear Mr Southall,

Thank you very much for your letter of 18th September regarding the simulation of a nuclear submarine accident which is to take place at Faslane in November. I understand your concerns and I do sympathise however matters such as these are dealt with entirely by the Ministry of Defence. This is specifically a defence and security matter and the European Parliament was excluded from dealing with issues such as these in the Treaties on European union.

I would therefore recommend that you raise your concerns with the Rt. Hon. George Robertson, Secretary of State for Defence at the Ministry of Defence, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB.

I am sorry I am unable to help you but thank you nonetheless for writing to me.

Yours sincerely,

Ken Collins MEP