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Professor A. Sanielevici

Alexandre Sanielevici, whose death on 21 December in Romania we regret to record, had been connected with important aspects of the Agency's research work almost from its inception.

Born in 1899, he studied physics and chemistry first at the University of Jassy, Romania, and then at the Sorbonne where he obtained the degree of Doctor of Science. He worked for several years at the Radium Institute, Paris and later at Bucarest University. At the time

he joined the Agency in 1958 he was a Professor in the Faculty of Mathematics and Physics, a corresponding member of the Romanian Academy of Sciences, department head of the Academy's Institute of Nuclear Physics and head of the radioisotopes laboratory.

His work with the Agency was mainly connected with research and the laboratories, but he also assisted in matters of health, safety and waste disposal. On his retirement in 1967 he was given a special appointment as consultant to the Scientific Council of the International Centre for Theoretical Physics, Trieste, a task which he fulfilled with characteristic assiduity and enthusiasm.

He was the author of books on radioactivity, nuclear structures and the utilization of radioisotopes as well as of a number of scientific papers.

Dr. F.M. Folsom

Dr. Frank M. Folsom, who since 1957 has been a permanent representative of the Holy See to the Agency and has regularly attended the General Conference, died in New York on 12 January aged 75. A graduate of the University of San Francisco, he held a number of important positions both in industry and connected with universities and charitable work. For many years he was president of a large communications corporation and was the recipient of numerous honours and awards. Father Theodore M. Hesburgh, who has always shared with him the representation of the Holy See, in writing to announce the loss said "Frank was a wonderfully generous and devoted friend and we will all miss him greatly".