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Dear Nuclear Regulatory Commission Director:

Reference the enclosed newspaper story. I would like to know the following:

1. Does the Las Vegas (ity (ouncil have the authority to ban said transport? I ask this in the context of (lask (ounty officials saying the ban is unconstitutional.

2. Who is right?

- 3. Does the mayor of Las Vegas have the authority to order (lark County and Las Vegas law enforcement officers (police) to enforce the ban with arrests as he claims?
- 4. If the city council action is unconstitutional, thereby, illegal then I hereby charge them with violation of federal laws, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission statutes and usurping the authority of the federal government and request you take appropriate action.
- 5. What are any further procedures for me to file official charges, complaint, inquiry, etc. against the Las Vegas (ity (ounty for their ban ordinance?
- 6. Accordingly, I hereby charge the Las Vegas (ity (owncil with 1) passage of an unconstitutional ordinance and 2) usurption of the authority of the federal government of the United States of America and Nuclear Regulatory (ommission.

7. I hereby request said city council ban be ruled null and void.

Sincerely,

cc: AP, NYC NY Daily News Washington Post

Mayor: Third World would take waste

By Joe Schoenmann

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After Nevada's U.S. senators claimed victory Thursday on a key nuclear waste dump vote, Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman not only vowed to enforce a week-old ordinance banning the waste's transport on city streets, but also said he wouldn't mind fighting it in court himself.

Then he revealed his personal plan - and he wasn't joking - for storing nuclear waste without stepping on the toes of the American public.

Ship it to a Third World

country.

"Why doesn't this go to a Third World country?" Goodman asked at a morning news conference, which followed Senate approval of a bill to move nuclear waste to a proposed repository at Yucca Mountain. The bill passed, but not by enough votes to override a promised presidential

Poorer countries would welcome the millions of dollars that the U.S. government would give to them in connection with such a plan, he said. And if security is an issue —

some radioactive waste can be used to make nuclear weapons

then the United States could share its military might to secure a Third World instal-

lation, he said.

streets.

"There's no reason we couldn't have a military presence whereever this is placed," the mayor said.

On the more realistic chance that waste will remain in the United States and be shipped en masse to Nevada, the City Council on Feb. 2 approved an ordinance banning the transport of the waste on city

Even though the Clark County district attorney's office opined that the ordinance is unconstitutional, Goodman said there is nothing symbolic about the city's vote.

"I fully intend to enforce it," he said.

Expecting a court fight over the matter, Goodman said he relished the thought of jumping into the legal fight himself.
"I would like to cross-

examine the folks who like to take the position that it's safe," he said. "I would love the opportunity to get involved in that litigation."



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