

March 6, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: William C. Parler
General Counsel

James M. Taylor
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary /S/

SUBJECT: SECY-92-061 - DRAFT CONVENTION ON LIABILITY
AND COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGES IN CONNECTION
WITH THE CARRIAGE OF HAZARDOUS AND NOXIOUS
SUBSTANCES BY SEA (HNS CONVENTION)

The Commission (with all Commissioners agreeing) has approved transmittal of the proposed letter to the Department of the Navy. The staff should alert the Commission when it appears this matter will again come to the Commission's attention and prepare a paper delineating the pros and cons of including nuclear materials in the HNS Convention. The paper should also inform the Commission as to the views of other Federal Agencies and additional appropriate organizations (e.g., IAEA, NEA, and other nuclear powers), along with the reasons any such entities give for supporting or opposing the inclusion of nuclear materials in the HNS Convention.

(OGC/EDO)

(SECY Suspense: TBD)

cc: The Chairman
Commissioner Rogers
Commissioner Curtiss
Commissioner Remick
Commissioner de Planque
IP
OCAA
OIG

SECY NOTE: THIS SRM, SECY-92-061, AND THE VOTE SHEETS OF THE CHAIRMAN, AND COMMISSIONERS ROGERS, CURTISS AND de PLANQUE WILL BE MADE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE 10 WORKING DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS SRM