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UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

March 14, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR: Victor Stello, Jr.
Executive Director for Operations

Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Governmental and Public Affairs

FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - ON IMPORTING
AND EXPORTING OF RADIOACTIVE WASTE, 10:00
A.M., THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 1989, COMMIS-
SIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM#, ONE WHITE FLINT
NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC
ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the staff, the Office of Governmental and Public Affairs, and representatives of the Department of State on policy options for importing and exporting low level radioactive waste (described in SECY-89-068 and released at the meeting).

Representing the Department of State were:

- Richard J.K. Stratford
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy and
Energy Technology Affairs (OESIN)
- William A. Nitze
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environment, Health,
and Natural Resources (OES/E)

Chairman Zech suggested that his fellow Commissioners consider a fifth option, which is to handle the Eldorado case now and, with respect to the broad issue, to await international and national views on handling waste disposal between countries.

Chairman Zech requested the staff to advise the Commission on the results from an upcoming international meeting on disposal of nuclear waste between countries.

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Commissioner Rogers requested staff to review the Free Trade Agreement with Canada regarding import/export of low-level radioactive waste between the two countries and determine if there may be any discrepancy between treatment of U.S. and Canadian firms that should be identified to the Executive Branch.

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Commissioner Curtiss requested the staff to provide the Commission with an analysis of the policy implications of each of the options in the context of the decision rendered by the commission in the Philippine Reactor Export case (11 NRC 631 (1980)), including an assessment of the extent to which each of the options comports with the export policy enunciated by the Commission in this case.

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cc: Chairman Zech
Commissioner Roberts
commissioner Carr
Commissioner Rogers
commissioner Curtiss
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