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FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO  
TO RUEANFA/NRC WASHDC  
RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC 7439  
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INCLAS SECTION 01 OF 02 MEXICO 000814

DEPT PASS TO USNRC

C.O. 12958: N/A  
TAGS: ENRG, KNNP, TRGY, TECH, OVIP, OTRA, MX,  
SUBJECT: COUNTRY CLEARANCE: US NUCLEAR REGULATORY  
COMMISSION (USNRC); JEFFREY MERRIFIELD ET AL  
FEBRUARY 7 - 9, 2001

REF: STATE 12328

. EMBASSY WARMLY WELCOMES AND EXTENDS COUNTRY  
CLEARANCES TO HON. JEFFREY S. MERRIFIELD, US NUCLEAR  
REGULATORY COMMISSION COMMISSIONER, ELLIS W.  
BERSCHOFF, REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR, USNRC AND MARGARET  
I. DOANE, LEGAL ASSISTANT TO COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD  
ON TRAVEL TO MEXICO CITY AND VERACRUZ (FEB 7-9) TO  
MAKE AN OFFICIAL VISIT; PER REFTEL.

. AS WASHINGTON IS AWARE, NRC VISIT COMES  
ONE WEEK BEFORE THE VISIT OF PRESIDENT BUSH  
TO MEXICO AND IN THE NEXT WEEKS, EMBASSY'S  
RESOURCES WILL BE LARGELY DEVOTED TO THE  
PRESIDENTIAL VISIT. A VEHICLE HAS BEEN  
ARRANGED FOR NRC'S USE IN MEXICO CITY AND AN  
EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER ASSIGNED FOR THE

DURATION OF THE COMMISSIONER'S VISIT. WE  
REGRET, HOWEVER, THAT A COUNTRY TEAM MEETING  
WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE.

. LOURDES BUIFILL, EMBASSY SCIENCE OFFICER, IS THE

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CONTROL OFFICER, TEL: (52-5) 209-9100, EXT. 4790.  
HOTEL RESERVATIONS ARE CONFIRMED AT MARIA ISABEL  
HOTEL IN MEXICO CITY AND AT HOTEL FIESTA AMERICANA  
IN VERACRUZ.

EMBASSY HAS SCHEDULED MEETINGS WITH SENIOR NUCLEAR  
SAFETY AND REGULATORY OFFICIALS REPRESENTING THE  
COMISION NACIONAL DE SEGURIDAD NUCLEAR Y SALVAGUARDIAS  
(CNSNS) AND THE LAGUNA VERDE NUCLEAR POWER FACILITY,  
MAKING A FACILITY VISIT TO THE LAGUNA VERDE NUCLEAR  
POWER FACILITY, AS WELL AS A COURTESY CALL ON THE  
AMBASSADOR. EMBASSY IS TRYING TO SCHEDULE A TIME TO  
PAY A COURTESY CALL ON THE UNDERSECRETARY OF ENERGY,  
MEXICO.

FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY'S PROPOSED ITINERARY:

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

DEPART HOUSTON'S GEORGE BUSH AIRPORT FOR MEXICO CITY  
ON AIRLINE CONTINENTAL #1831 AT 7:53 AM. ARRIVE MEXICO CITY  
AT 10:14 AM. WILL BE MET BY EST OFFICIALS AND  
PROVIDED WITH VEHICLE/DRIVER.

1:45 AM COURTESY CALL ON US AMBASSADOR

2:15 PM DEPART EMBASSY FOR 1:00 PM MEETING WITH  
LAFREDO ELIAS AYUB, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF  
COMISION FEDERAL DE ELECTRICIDAD, TO BE  
COCHAIRMANED BY JOSE LUIS DELGADO, DIRECTOR  
GENERAL OF CNSNS.

TIME TO BE DETERMINED: LUNCH AND COURTESY CALL  
ON NICEFORO GUERRERO, UNDERSECRETARY OF  
ENERGY, MEXICO

TIME TO BE DETERMINED: MEETINGS WITH OTHER CNSNS  
OFFICIALS

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EVENING DINNER AT SAN ANGEL INN HOSTED BY  
COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD GUEST LIST IN  
PARAGRAPH 6.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

DEPART MEXICO CITY FOR VERACRUZ VIA AERO MEXICO #3621  
AT 6:55 AM. ARRIVE VERACRUZ AT 7:45 AM. WILL BE MET  
BY CNSNS OFFICIALS IN VERACRUZ. ARRIVE AT HOTEL  
FIESTA AMERICANA VERACRUZ.

PM VISIT TO LAGUNA VERDE NUCLEAR POWER FACILITY

12:00 - 5:00 PM LUNCH BREAK

7:00 PM DINNER IN VERACRUZ HOSTED BY CNSNS

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

DEPART VERACRUZ FOR HOUSTON'S GEORGE BUSH AIRPORT AT  
11:30 AM VIA CONTINENTAL #1474. ARRIVE IN HOUSTON AT  
12:00 PM AT  
12:44 AM. DEPART HOUSTON FOR WASHINGTON REAGAN AIRPORT  
AT 11:13 AM VIA CONTINENTAL #1460. ARRIVE WASHINGTON  
REAGAN AIRPORT AT 3:00 PM.

PROPOSED GUEST LIST FOR DINNER HOSTED BY  
COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD IS AS FOLLOWS:

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