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Executive Director for Operations

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FROM: Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary **/RA/**

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - DISCUSSION OF SECURITY
ISSUES, 11:00 A.M., THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2002, EXECUTIVE
CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH,
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (CLOSED)

The Commission was briefed by the NRC staff on the status of several security issues. The staff should perform the following:

1. The staff should cease participation in the NEA multi-lateral activities on security. Rather, the staff should initiate and lead bi-lateral and small multi-lateral activities to address security issues where classified information can be shared and protected by the countries, and international activities would benefit the nuclear security efforts.
2. The staff should consider options and formats for communicating effectively with the general public on security matters. These efforts should be closely coordinated with the Office of Public Affairs (OPA) and recommendations should be provided to the Commission for its consideration and approval. Prior to holding any future public meetings to communicate security matters to the general public, the staff should develop a well thought out agenda and talking points which should be provided to the Commission for approval and OPA should consider issuing a press release to inform stakeholders of what will be discussed.
3. The Office of Congressional Affairs should continue to be proactive in informing Congress of major NRC activities and accomplishments, particularly in the security area.

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OTHERWISE.

4. The staff may immediately commence discussions with appropriate agencies on the vehicle bomb portion of the design basis threat, as modified by the Reactor Interim Compensatory Measures.
5. The staff should develop and forward to the Commission a list of recommendations the Commission could make to the Office of Homeland Security for inclusion in the Critical Infrastructure Report.
(EDO) (SECY Suspense: 6/14/02)
6. The staff should develop recommendations for establishing which unclassified security-related documents -- e.g., LERs (including cover letters), Orders (including cover letters), and responses to Orders -- should NOT be made publicly available in ADAMS. For example, it may be appropriate NOT to make documents that refer to safeguards or other classified documents publicly available.

cc: Chairman Meserve
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