

From: Rosetta Virgilio
To: Smith, Thomas
Date: 2/26/02 8:30AM
Subject: Fwd: RE: question from Library Journal re NUDOC controversy

OK, Bob. Again, Norm Oder is expecting a response of some sort this morning.

Rosetta

>>> Thomas Smith 02/26/02 07:46AM >>>
Rosetta:

Please don't send anything out to this guy until I've talked with you. Here are my initial answers:

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The PDR routinely receives over 800-1000 requests per month for documents via e-mail, phone, fax, and letters plus on-site visitors. Yes, the librarians are screening these requests more carefully than before and in light of what has happened, you'd expect us to do that. The former LPDR's do not receive nearly the volume of requests as at the NRC headquarters in Rockville, MD (not D.C.-we moved over a year ago). Conceivably, people could have an easier time in accessing the fiche at one of the former LPDRs but the patron would need a fiche address to find the document they needed. To get the fiche address, they would need to access our online legacy database or call the PDR for help.

In fact,, even when the former LPDRs were operating, usage was very low. We closed the program in 1999 when we brought up the Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS).

--is the information available on microfiche similar in concern (i.e., details about safety) to the information that has since been taken down from the NRC web site.

Most of the information on the NRC website is fairly recent. The information on the fiche stops in 1999. The web site was taken down for a thorough document/web content review and is being restored on a schedule.

>>> Rosetta Virgilio 02/25/02 04:18PM >>>
Hi, Tom -

I'm resending the attached email from Norm Oder. I just rec'd a telephone call from him asking whether we could respond to his follow-on questions (see attached, forwarded p.m. Fri 3/22). If so, he would need them tomorrow a.m. at latest and asked for a telephone call back as to whether or not he should expect anything more. Please advise. Thanks much, Tom.

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From: Rosetta Virgilio
To: (Cahners-NYC), Oder, Norman
Date: 2/26/02 9:44AM
Subject: RE: question from Library Journal re NUDOC controversy

Hi, Norm -

This is in followup to my voice mail message to you this morning. Tom Smith, NRC Public Document Room staff has responded to your questions, below. Tom, who is a reader of your magazine, would be happy to speak with you further on this topic, if you so desire. Tom can be reached at 301-415-7204.

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>>> "Oder, Norman (Cahners-NYC)" <noder@lj.cahners.com> 02/22/02 03:56PM >>>
Rosetta--

Thanks for the response. I still would like more specific answers, if possible.

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In both cases, the librarians I have talked to say yes.

Thanks for your response.

Norman Oder
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