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MEMORANDUM TO: Janice Dunn Lee, Director
Office of International Programs

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Executive Director for Operations

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING ON OFFICE OF
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS (OIP) PROGRAMS,
PERFORMANCE, AND PLANS, 9:30 A.M., THURSDAY, JUNE 2,
2005, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE
FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC
ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the staff on the Agency's international activities. The Commission is encouraged by the continued progress and improvements in this area. The staff should continue to focus on the following issues:

1. The staff should provide a summary report describing the status of G-8 country implementation of the IAEA Code of Conduct. The staff should provide periodic updates to the Commission.
(OIP) (SECY Suspense (Initial report): 7/22/05)
2. The staff should provide a plan to address anticipated work load increases that will result from implementation of the new 10 CFR Part 110 Rulemaking. The staff should provide a plan which addresses sources of funding for emergent work. The plan should clearly identify the anticipated workload, assumed labor rate (ex, hours per license review), and the required resources for the new work.
(EDO) (SECY Suspense: 6/30/05)

The Commission appreciates the staff's interest in gaining efficiencies in the export licensing process. The staff should submit a proposal for gaining further efficiencies in the export licensing process for Commission consideration.

3. The staff should complete development of a formal process to prioritize international activities. The process should include IAEA and NEA activities as well as factors such as demonstrated need of country receiving the assistance, benefit to the NRC, and funding availability. The process should include interaction with the Commission, where appropriate.

4. The staff should ensure that policy issues are brought to the Commission in the early stages of preparing for international presentations and interactions.
5. The staff should review current memorandums of understanding (MOUs) with the Department of State and the Department of Energy, as they apply to international programs, to determine if updates or revisions are necessary.

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