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Mr. Robin DeLaBarre
Office of Nuclear Energy, Safety
& Security, Room 33200 HST
Bureau of International Security
& Nonproliferation
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Mr. DeLaBarre:

Enclosed is an application (XSOU8840), dated December 2, 2015, received by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), from Iluka Resources Inc., for the export of 67,000 kilograms (kg) of natural uranium and 133,000 kg of natural thorium for the extraction of zirconium and rare earths for non-nuclear end uses.

Before taking action on this request, we would appreciate your views, in accordance with established procedures and from the overall perspective of the Executive Branch, as to whether the requested export meets the applicable criteria in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brooke G. Smith".

Brooke G. Smith, Chief
Export Controls and Nonproliferation Branch
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Enclosure:
Application Dated 3/24/2016
XSOU8840 – China
Docket Number 11006220

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