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Mr. James R. Shea Director of International Programs United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Room 6714 - MNBB Bethesda, Maryland

Dear Mr. Shea:

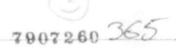
This letter is in response to your letter dated March 14, 1979, requesting Executive Branch views as to whether issuance of an export license in accordance with the application hereinafter described would be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States and whether the proposed export meets the applicable criteria of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended by the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act of 1978:

NRC No. XSNM01472 -- Application by the Westinghouse Electric Corporation for authorization to export to the Republic of Korea 25,005 kilograms of U-235 contained in 727,175 kilograms of uranium enriched to a maximum of 3.5 percent. This low enriched uranium in the form of fabricated fuel assemblies is intended for the initial core plus 40 reloads for the Kori 2 Nuclear Power Plant, in Korea.

The proposed export would take place pursuant to the Agreement for Cooperation Between the United States and Korea as confirmed in a letter from the Embassy of Korea, a copy of which is enclosed. Korea has adhered to the provisions of its Agreement for Cooperation with the United States.

The Executive Branch has reviewed this application and concluded that the requirements of the Atomic Energy Act and P.L. 95-242 have been met and that the proposed

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export will not be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States, provided that the validity of the license be limited to five years and the quantity of fuel limited to an initial core, essential spares and three reloads. A detailed analysis for Korea was submitted February 23, 1979 for NRC application No. XU08436. There has been no material change in circumstances since that submission.

On the basis of the foregoing, the Executive Branch recommends that the license be issued.

Sincerely,

Louis V. Nosenzo Deputy Assistant Secretary

Enclosure:
Assurance letter

MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY REPUBLIC OF KOREA SEOUL 110, KOREA · Cable Address: MOSTROK Reterence Telex: MIOST K24230 Vince E. Eudgins International Security Affairs Lengriment of Energy Panington, D.C. 20545 Deir Mr. Hudgins This refers to your letter dated April 6, 1979 concerning written confirmation of certain particulars in connection with the export of nuclear . caterial. The Covernment of the Republic of Korea confirms that the Korea Electric Company has been authorized to receive and possess the material moted below, and that the transfer of the material will be subject to all of the terms and conditions of the Ameement for Cooperation, which entered into force on March 19, 1973, concerning the civil use in atomic energy between the Government of Korea and the Government of the United States. MAX, MAX MAX, Element Description Weight WT % Isatope WT. Granium Dioxide Sintered 3.5W/0 cellets encapsulated in 727, 175 sealed fuel rods and assemblies. Sincerely yours Park Skiyohl Director Cemeral Nuclear Regulatory Bureau POOR ORIGINAL