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

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Dear Mr. Shea:

This letter is in response to your letter dated May 10, 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 (P.L. 95-242):

NRC No. XSNM01507 -- Application by General Atomic Company for authorization to export to the Philippines 1.72 grams of U-235 contained in 1.84 grams of uranium enriched to 93 percent in a fission counter for the PRR-1 Research Reactor, operated by the Philippine Atomic Energy Commission.

The proposed export would take place pursuant to the Agreement for Cooperation Between the United States and the Philippines as confirmed in a letter from the Embassy of the Philippines, a copy of which is enclosed. The Philippines 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 export will not be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States. A detailed analysis is not believed necessary in view of the small quantity of material involved.

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

Sincerely,

Louis V. Nosenzo Deputy Assistant Secretary

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The Honorable The Secretary of Energy Department of Energy Washington, D.C. 20585

Attention: Mr. Vance H. Hudgins Director, Division of Politico-Military Security Affairs JP

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of May 31, 1979 addressed to Consul General Leonides Caday of this Embassy, concerning an export application from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission on the export of nuclear materials to the Philippines.

For purposes of processing the application, I wish to confirm that:

- The transfer of the material, as identified on the license application, will be subject to all of the terms and conditions of the Agreement for Cooperation dated July 19, 1968, as amended, concerning the civil uses of atomic energy between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Philippines; and
- The ultimate consignee, the Philippine Atomic Energy Commission, is authorized by the Philippine Government to receive and possess the material.

Very truly yours,

C. BELISARIO MARIO Minister, Charge d'Affaires, a.i.

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