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Mr. Gerard Helfrich Office of Program Implementation Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs U.S. Department of State Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Helfrich:

Enclosed please find an application from General Atomic Company for a license to export to the Republic of Korea replacements and components for the Wolsung I power plant and the KORR I and II research reactors. Mr. Mowry notes in his letter that parts destined for Wolsung I will be shipped directly to South Korea without shipment through Canada. He informed NRC, however, that the original CANDU instrumentation system supplied by General Atomic for Wolsung I was exported via Canada. The parts requested in this application and contracted through the Atomic Energy of Canada, Ltd. will be used in this instrumentation system to rep'ace parts that are damaged during plant start up and early operation of Wolsung I.

Before taking action on this license application, we would appreciate your views, in accordance with established procedures and from the overall perspective of the Executive Branch, as to whether the issuance of the requested license would be inimical to the interests of the United States, including the common defense and security, and whether the proposed export meets the applicable criteria in the Atomic Energy Act as amended by the Nuclear Nonproliferation Act of 1978.

Sincerely,

arvin R. Peterson Acting Assistant

Director Export/Import and International Safeguards Office of International Programs

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Mr. Marvin Peterson Acting Assistant Director Export/Import & International Safeguards U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Nuclear Component Export License; Korea.

Dear Mr. Peterson:

General Atomic Company makes application pursuant to 10 CFR 110 for component export license authorizing the shipment of nuclear components to Korea.

General Atomic Company is manufacturer of the TRIGA research reactor system and nuclear instrumentation system used for monitoring and control of other power reactors such as the CANDU and certain PWR's. Such reactor instrumentation systems require occasional part replacements.

General Atomic has supplied two TRIGA research reactor systems (KORR-I & II) to the Korea Atomic Energy Research Institute. We have also supplied certain nuclear instrumentation systems for the CANDU power reactor at Wolsung via AECL, Canada. This request relates to export of replacement components for use in these facilities.

General Atomic anticipates the export of components, with a value of 2 \$150,000, in the next three years. We have current orders for an uncompensated Ion chamber with extension housing, and a grapple tool specifically prepared for TRIGA reactors. We expect also to send directly certain repair and replacement components to the Wolsung reactor during its startup and operation. Additional details supporting the license are contained on the attached NRC-7 Form.

We look forward to your early issuance of the requested component export license.

It is our understanding that Korea is signator of the NPT and has given the U.S. Government assurances that components and materials exported for these facilities will not be retransferred or used in a nuclear weapons program.

Very truly yours,

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William R. Mowry Licensing Administrator Nuclear Materials Control Division

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