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In Reply
Refer To: IEL-1135

Mr. Marvin Peterson, Acting Director
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Office of International Programs
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Export License XCOM-0237.

Reference: General Atomic Co. Application (IEL-1053) dated 4/26/79.

Dear Mr. Peterson:

General Atomic Company made application, referenced above, for export license covering certain reactor components planned for shipment to Egypt. Recently we have been made aware that some confusion may exist about the special nature of the components and their status as specially designed components for the Egyptian UA-RR-1 reactor. As a result of this confusion, needless delay in the issuance of the license may have been generated.

At the request of Dr. Sultan of Egypt we are providing the following information to assist in the issuance of the subject license without further undue delay.

Notwithstanding the equipment's general use for monitoring the power level of a nuclear reactor, such equipment with minor changes, e.g. calibration factors, scale and label changes, etc, is also found in other neutron detection monitoring applications throughout the nuclear industry.

This confirms that the instrumentation components ordered by Egypt were from a standard catalog and are used in various research reactors throughout the world. The instrumentation has not been specifically designed for the UA-RR-1 research reactor facility.

We remain hopeful for prompt issuance of the requested license. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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