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MEMORANDUM FOR: A. B. Davis, Chief, FFMS Branch, Region III
FROM: Leo B. Higginbotham, Assistant Director, Division of FFMSI:IE
SUBJECT: EXPORT OF CONTAMINATED MACHINERY TO FOREIGN LICENSEE

The above subject as set forth in your memorandum to me, same subject, dated January 30, 1980 was discussed by Ralph Meyer of my staff and Carl Paperiello on February 19, 1980. This is to confirm that discussion and set in writing the answers to your questions as noted below:

Question

Can contaminated machinery be sent to a foreign country where the receiver possesses a license from that country to possess the contamination on the machinery?

Answer

Yes; under a specific export license on the authority of International Programs. Contact in IP is Elaine Hemby, Tel. 49-27984.

Question

What procedures must be used by the licensee in making this shipment?

Answer

Apply for export license. Contact as noted above. Also, you should reference 49 CFR Part 173.392(d). This provides requirements for transport of "objects of non-RAM externally contaminated with RAM, etc." Paragraph sets limits for surface contamination and calls for suitably wrapping or enclosing the object. Further information concerning DOT requirements and shipping should be requested from Al Grella as necessary.

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