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

Subject: Request for Amendment, XCOMO241

References: (a) GAC 1tr to NRC dtd 5/1/79, IEL-1055; Components Export License Application.

(b) GAC ltr to NRC dtd 5/1/79, IEL-1056, SNM Export License Application.

Dear Mr. Peterson:

General Atomic Company makes application for an amendment to the export licsense XCOMO241. The amendment request consists of adding a fission chamber to the list of components to be exported and amending the expiration date to 12/31/80.

General Atomic made two applications (ref. a and ref. b) dated May 1, 1979, for the export license covering instrumentation components for a research reactor in the Philippines. The instrumentation components consist of reactor control electronics and a fission chamber containing SNM. Subsequently licenses XCOMO241 and XSNMO1507 were issued with expiration dates of 1 July 1980 and 1 August 1980, respectively. Most of the system's components have been exported. However there is still need to export the fission chamber which will not be ready for shipment until approximately September 1980.

Since the export of the fission chamber cannot occur before the expiration dates of either the subject XCOM license or XSNMO1507 originally issued to cover the export of the fission chamber, we are requesting an amendment to subject license so that under current regulatory practice, the fission chamber can be exported as a component with the contained SNM exported under a general license recently issued under 10 CFR 110.23. Since we expect this license to be appropriately amended to include the export of the fission chamber component, we are herewith returning the unused XSNMO507.

I look forward to your early issuance of the requested amendment which:

- 1. Authorizes the expert of the fission chamber and
- 2. Amends the expiration date to December 31, 1980.

Very truly yours,

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