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Mr. G. F. Helfrich, Director
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 a July 21, 1980 letter from Edlow International Company requesting the following amendments to license XUO8427, involving the export of natural uranium as UF6 to France for enrichment and return to the U.S. for fabrication for eventual reexport to Switzerland for installation in the Kaiseraugst reactor:

- Add an intermediate consignee in Switzerland to store the natural UF6 prior to enrichment;
- Increase the quantity of material to be exported from 68,500 kilograms uranium as natural UF6 to 248,000 kilograms uranium as natural UF6, or an increase of 179,500 kilograms of material; and
- 3. Extend the expiration date of the license from 10 March 1982 to 10 March 1990.

These amendments are requested because the Kaiseraugst reactor is not scheduled for operation until late 1983. Diane Harmon will provide the name and location of the proposed storage facility for the UF6 material. We will forward this information to you as soon as it is received.

Before taking action on these license amendments, 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 amendments 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,

James B. Devine, Assistant

Director

Export/Import and International

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Office of International Programs

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