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In Reply Refer To: IEL-2031

Mr. James B. Devine, Assistant Director Export/Import and International Safeguards Office of International Programs U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Status of Export License XR-165, Malaysia.

Reference: GAC ltr IEL-776 dated 1/19/77.

Dear Mr. Devine:

In a recent conversation between your Marv Peterson and our John Batch, Mr. Peterson requested information on the status of reactor components awaiting export under subject license whose application has been pending for nearly four (4) years.

The reactor tark, all mechanical and electronic components are fabricated and in storage at General Atomic awaiting an export license to ship them to Malaysia. The tank has been ready to ship for well over two years. Other components have been ready to ship for nearly two (2) years. There was an initial delay to the reactor building construction schedule, but the problems have been resolved and actual building construction is now well underway and will be ready for the tank and certain mechanical components by June 1981. GA has signed a contract with the building contractor to perform the tank erection and reactor shield construction work. For the tank and shield work to be coordinated with the reactor building's schedule, we need to ship the tank to Malaysia by March 1981.

We would appreciate your cooperation in expediting the issuance of this facility license in order that we may make the shipment in a timely manner. Please make the license valid for a period of three (3) years to cover the exports which may be required during the initial warranty period.

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