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Mr. James R. Shea  
Director of International Programs  
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Room 6714 - MNBB  
Bethesda, Maryland

Dear Mr. Shea:

This letter is in response to the letter from your office dated April 9, 1981, requesting Executive Branch views as to whether issuance of an export license in accordance with the application hereinafter described would be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States and whether the proposed export meets the applicable criteria in the Atomic Energy Act as amended by the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act of 1978:

NRC No. XU08520 — Application by Edlow International Company for authorization to export to the Republic of Korea 10,176 kilograms of natural uranium in the form of U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> for use by the Korea Advanced Energy Research Institute for testing of a UO<sub>2</sub> conversion plant.

The proposed export would take place pursuant to the Agreement for Cooperation Between the United States and the Republic of Korea as confirmed in a letter from the Embassy of Korea, a copy of which is enclosed. Korea has adhered to the provisions of its Agreement with the United States.

The Executive Branch has reviewed this application and concluded that the requirements of the Atomic Energy Act, as amended, have been met and that the proposed export will not be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States. A detailed analysis for Korea was submitted February 23, 1979 for NRC application No. XU08436. There has been no material change in circumstances since that submission.

On the basis of the foregoing, the Executive Branch recommends that the license be issued.

Sincerely,

John P. Boright  
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary

Enclosure:  
Assurance letter

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EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

John A. Griffin  
Director  
Division of Politico-  
Military Security Affairs  
Department of Energy  
Washington, D.C. 20585

June 1, 1981

Dear Mr. Griffin:

I am pleased to send you the confirmation  
letter of our government regarding the application  
of XU-8520.

Sincerely yours,

*Shiyohl Park*

Shiyohl Park  
Scientific Attaché

Attachment: Letter of Director Kang dated May 15.

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MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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15 May 1981.

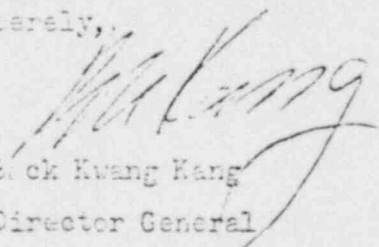
Dear Mr. Griffin :

In reference to your letter of 17 April 1981 regarding application of XU08520, we confirm that :

- a) The transfer of the material, as identified on the license application of XU08520, will be subject to all of the terms and conditions of the Agreement for Cooperation, which entered into force on 19 March 1978, as amended, concerning the civil uses of atomic energy between the Republic of Korea and the United States ;
- b) The Korea Advanced Energy Research Institute, the ultimate consignee, as identified on the application of XU08520 is authorized by the Government of the Republic of Korea to receive and possess the material.

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Yours sincerely,

  
Park Kwang Kang  
Director General  
Nuclear Regulatory Bureau