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July 30, 1982

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

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
NATIONAL SECURITY

Dear Mr. Shea:

I refer to your letter dated May 3, 1979, requesting Executive Branch views as to whether issuance of an export license in accordance with the application described would be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States:

NRC No. XCOM0237 — Application by General Atomic Company for authorization to export to Egypt instrumentation for the UA-RR-1 research reactor.

It is the judgment of the Executive Branch that the export contemplated will not be inimical to the common defense and security of the United States, and that this export is consistent with the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and with the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act of 1978.

As an NPT party, Egypt has committed itself to maintaining IAEA safeguards on all of its peaceful nuclear activities and has pledged not to produce or otherwise acquire any nuclear explosive devices. Moreover, the Government of Egypt has, by an assurance letter from its Embassy (copy enclosed), has confirmed its commitment to maintain IAEA safeguards at its nuclear facilities; not to use any U.S. nuclear export for production or research and development of any nuclear explosive device, and not to retransfer any US-supplied component without prior US consent. The continued validity of this assurance letter was confirmed by the Chairman of the Egyptian Atomic Energy Establishment, Ibrahim Han: mouda on October 26, 1981.

It is therefore the judgment of the Executive Branch that the criteria of Section 109 b. of the Atomic Energy Act, as amended, are met.

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

Sincerely,

*James B. Devine*  
James B. Devine  
Deputy Assistant Secretary

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Enclosure:  
Assurance letter

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ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT  
ATOMIC ENERGY ESTABLISHMENT

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Date 10 / 9 / 1979

Mr. Louis V. Nosenzo,  
Deputy Assistant Secretary,  
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Washington, D.C. 20520.

Dear Sir,

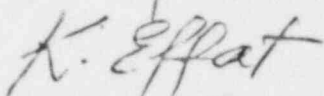
I am pleased to refer to your letter dated July, 19/1979, directed to Mr. Shoukay El-Nahal, Minister for Commercial and Economic Affairs, Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt, Washington, concerning the instrumentation for the Research Reactor UA-RR-1 of Egypt ordered from General Atomic Company of San Diego.

In answer to your letter referred to above I hereby confirm that the following criteria will apply to the equipment ordered from General Atomic Company of San Diego:

- (1) IAEA safeguards can be applied with respect to the equipment to be delivered by General Atomic Company of San Diego.
- (2) No such equipment or material will be used for any nuclear explosive device or for research on or development of any nuclear explosive device; and
- (3) No such equipment or material will be retransferred without the prior approval of the United States.

With my best Regards.

Yours Sincerely,

  
Dr. K. EFFAT  
Chairman.