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

Dear Mr. Shea:

This letter is in response to the letter from your office dated January 12, 1983, requesting Executive Branch views as to whether issuance of an export license in accordance with the application hereinafter described meets the applicable criteria of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended by the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act of 1978:

NRC No. XCOM0707 — Application by Westinghouse Electric Corporation for authorization to export to Zaire one compensated ion chamber, value \$4475.00, for the TRIGA II research reactor at the Centre Regional d'Etudes Nucleaires in Kinshasa.

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 the export is consistent with the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended by the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act of 1978.

As an NPT party, Zaire 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 device. It is therefore the judgment of the Executive Branch that Criteria (1) and (2) for exports of reactor components under Section 109 of the Atomic Energy Ar., as amended, are met. The remaining criterion, agreement not to retrinsfer any U.S.-supplied component or material without prior U.S. conser, has been satisfied by the receipt of a generic assurance letter from the Embassy of Zaire, a copy of which is enclosed.

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

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Enclosure:

Assurance letter

Copies to Shea, Timmeman, more, Peterson, Copies to Shea, Richarleld, PDR

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Objet:

Dear Mr. Stoiber.

Further to your letters dated November 12, 1982 and January 19,1983, concerning the applications made by the Companies below for authorization to export to Zaire the following components :

GENERAL ATOMIC COMPANY - replacement parts and components valued at \$ 200.000;

WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORPORATION

- a compensated ion chamber valued at \$ 4.475.00.

to be used in the TRIGA II research reactor at the Centre Régional d'Etudes Nucléaires, I refer to the Act providing conditions of issuance of Nuclear Regulatory Commission export licences - Paragraph (3).

The Government of Zaire confirms that The General Commissariat for Atomic Energy responds on a generic basis, and also that the criterion relating to retransfers will be met with respect to all future U.S. nuclear component exports as well as the currently pending case.

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