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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Files

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SUBJECT: STAFF FINDINGS RELATED TO THE PROPOSED IMPORT OF 27,000
KILOGRAMS URANIUM ENRICHED TO 1.20% FROM FRANCE-ISNM82019

Transnuclear, Incorporated submitted an application dated September 20, 1982 for a license authorizing the import of 27,000 kilograms of uranium enriched to 1.20% U-235 from France. The material will be returned to the U.S. Department of Energy to be used as enriched feed for toll-enriching contract number AT(40-1) UES-4104 DUE.

The UF₆ will be transported from France by sea and trucked from the port of entry to the DOE enrichment facility in specification packages bearing the certificate of competent authority number USA/4909/B()F.

Thousands of tons of normal and slightly enriched UF₆ are transported within the U.S. annually and this practice has been going on for many years without a significant incident. This proposed import represents an extremely small percentage of the total UF₆ transported each year in the U.S. and would not result in any significant change in the probability of a potential accident involving UF₆.

The proposed import conforms with the standard provisions that have governed shipments of low-enriched UF₆ for many years with no significant impact on the environment or the general public. The staff finds this importation will not be inimical to the common defense and security or constitute an undue risk to public health, safety, or to the environment.

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