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a) the plant is located near an active volcano

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c) the orientation of the plant's turbine generator presents unacceptable risks

d) the plant is only 10 miles away from U.S. Subic Naval Base.

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TO: Mr. Joseph Hendrie, Cha'rman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission. WASHINGTON D.C. 20555



Dear Mr. Hend ie,

I have learned of the grave problems related to the nuclear power plant being built by Westinghouse at Morong, Bataan in the Philippines.

The site is geologically unstable, the design has not been reviewed extensively and the construction is reportedly substandard. In addition, the Philippines has no safe plans for disposing redioactive waste and the plant's operation will result in the social dislocation and economic under avelopment of the people.

Under these conditions, I feel strongly that Australia should not sell uranium to fuel such a nuclear power plant. For the same re son, we ask that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission not issue an export license for the said nuclear power plant. It would be hypocritical and inhumane for you to do so in the light of the American domestic foratorium on reactorllicensing.

In this issue of the Philippine Nuclear Power Plant, we both share a common responsibility for ensuring the safety of the Filipino people.

I am very interested in receiving an answer from you to the points I have raised in this letter and so have enclosed \$1 to reimburse whatever expenses you may incur.

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Telephone 443-8585



February 1, 1980

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President Ferdinand Marcos Malacanang Palace Manilla, Phillipines

Dear President Marcos,

I was saddened to learn you are building a Westinghouse nuclear power plant on Bataan peninsula. In addition to the usual problems with nuclear plants you will also have to worry about earthquakes and volcanic activity.

I am afraid you may be remembered as the most famous leader in Phillipine history if a serious nuclear accident occurs in the future.

Most sincerely,

Elert B Min Robert B. McFarland, M.D.

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cc: President Jimmy Carter cc: Nuclear Regulatory Commision-USA

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### International Association of Filipino Patriots (IAFP)

February 1, 1980

P.O. Box 24737 Oakland, CA. 94623 U.S.A.

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC

The Commissioners:

We are appalled at your decision to grant the license to the Philippine reactor. We find it illogical that the NRC should find it has no authority to investigate the environmental impact of a U.S. nuclear product on the Philippines.

To say that "it would interfere with the internal affairs" of the Philippines, if the NRC were to do so, is simply irresponsible. If indeed, the NRC were concerned with interference on the sovereignty of another nation, then it should ask why the Carter Administration and the State Department allowed the sale and loan of \$600 Million from Exim-Bank in the first place? The Filipino people have been opposed to the construction of the reactor, but it has been made possible courtesy of the U.S. government, is not that interfering with the sovereignty of another nation? Certainly, you must recognize that there is an internal conflict within the Philippines over the issue. The NRC has recognized all along that there are dangers posed by the nuclear plant construction, yet it is allowing itself to be used by a repressive and dictatorial regime in manipulating the destiny of the Filipino nation.

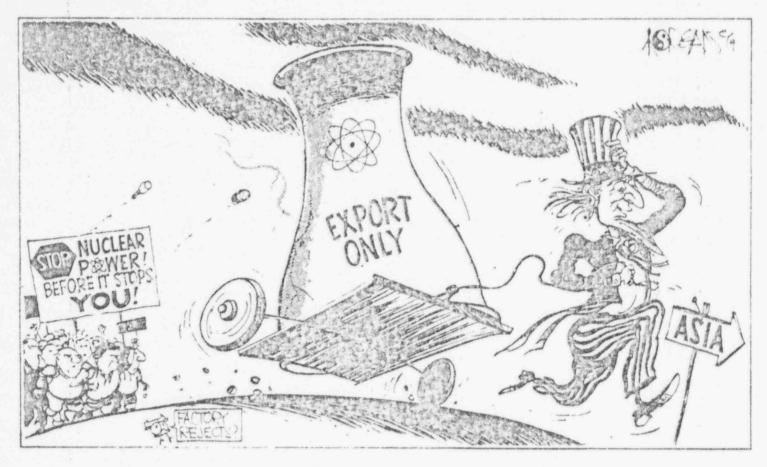
The NRC should ask itself, what is it really supposed to do? Yes, what what are you really supposed to represent? health and safety interest and environmental conerns? Perhaps you think you have fooled a lot of people. Well, we should let you know that we now see your interests coincide with the nuclear industry's and you are nothing but a buffer blinding the people's opposition to nuclear expansion. You pretend to be neutral and objective. The Philippine case is a clear cut violation of that principle--the NRC policy evaluation of January 15 suggest that all uncertainties about <u>seismic volcanological and geotechnic features of Napot Point site</u> <u>have not been completely resolved</u>. Moreover, the report stated that a 3-Mile Island type actident is definitely low but not necessarily remote."

The NRC is issuing the license is irresponsible, illogical and unreasonable. You have put the whole Philippine nation in a timebomb, and any nuclear accidents in the near future, we will hold you responsible and accountable.

The IAFP

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# The Philippine Nuclear Reactor IS NOT a Mistake ...



# ... but a Poisonous Fruit of Years of U.S. Intervention

Send a telegram protesting the violation of Philippine sovereignty and the hazards posed by the Morong Nuclear Plant to the: NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20555 THE BATAAN NUKE:

A MISTAKE?

People hearing the story of the effort to set up a nuclear plant in the province of Bataan. Philippines, think it's unbelievable. And it is. The plan to construct a nuclear reactor with 200 design defects on the slope of an active volcano and beside three earthquake faults, in an area prey to tidal waves and typhoons, seems to spring right out of Ripley's "Believe It or Not."

But, believe it or not, the Philippine reactor is not an accident, a Frankenstein of poor planning. The dumping of this defective product of a technology which is increasingly being rejected in the U.S. is, in fact, part of a scheme—a conspiracy to save the troubled nuclear monopolies by palming off their products to repressive U.S. allies that can be corrupted or commanded to buy them: It is hardly surprising that 23 of the 33 reactors operating, under construction, or on order in the Third world are found in dictatorships, like South Korea, the Philippines, or Brazil, which are closely allied to the United States.

### A GIGANTIC CON GAME

The Bataan reactor is the result of a gigantic con game perpetrated on the Filipino people by the Marcos government. Westinghouse, the  $E_{s_1}$  ort-Import Bank, the State Department, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and Jimmy Carter.

First, Westinghouse pays the Marcos clique \$35 million to get the contract. Then the U.S. Export-Import Bank loans Marcos \$644 million to pay Westinghouse for the reactor. And the U.S. State Department plays the role of an enthusiastic middleman to clinch the deal.

Caught off-guard by Filipino and international opposition to the deal, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission now tries to justify it by stating the pious concern that denying Westinghouse a license to export the dangerous contraption "might be a violation of Philippine sovereignty." Behind the scenes. Jimmy Carter, a nuclear engineer by training and a proponent of nuclear power, assures Westinghouse that he is against "unnecessary delays" in the granting of the export license.

### A CONSISTENT POLICY

The Westinghouse reactor export is merely the most scan-

dalous and most publicized product of a consistent policy of the U.S. toward the Philippines. The Philippines is important to the U.S., first and foremost, as a dumping ground for U.S. industrial exports and an area for U.S. capital investment. From the Payne-Aldrich Act of 1909 to the current investment policies of the U.S.-backed Marcos dictatorship, U.S. policy has consistently and consciously set out to keep the country as a captive market for all sorts of superfluous, useless and dangerous commodities like those produced by Westinghouse, and preserve it as a paradise of cheap labor for U.S. capital. U.S. corporations and the U.S. government have consistently frustrated the growth of a viable national industrial base which could produce the technology appropriate to the energy and other needs of the Filipino people.

"We now have the lowest wage rates in Southeast Asia," Marcos recently gloated before an assembly of foreign businessmen in Manila. It is entirely consistent with the mentality of this bureaucratic servitor of foreign interests that he has no second thoughts about placing Westinghouse's need for superprofits above the future of the Philippine environment and the very lives of the Filipino people.

#### RESISTANCE

But the game cannot last very long. In spite of military rule financed to the tune of \$500 million by the United States, the Filipino people are speaking out openly and courageously not only against the reactor export but against the very system of U.S.-Marcos control that has spawned and will continue to spawn social and ecological scandals such as the Bataan reactor.

In the last few months, increasing numbers of people throughout the world have joined their voice to the opposition against the reactor export. Three International Days of Protest have been held, drawing support in 33 cities throughout the world, from Canberra, Australia, to Tokyo, Japan, to Washington, D.C. This opposition will have to be multiplied a hundredfold in the coming months. We all have a role to play in what is now an international effort to stop the Bataan nuke.

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