

August 7, 2006

MEMORANDUM FOR: Janice Dunn Lee, Director
Office of International Programs

Luis A. Reyes
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Andrew L. Bates, Acting Secretary /RA/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING ON OIP PROGRAMS, PERFORMANCE, AND PLANS, 9:30 A.M., THURSDAY,
JULY 27, 2006, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND
(OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the staff on the agency's international activities. The Commission expressed its appreciation for the support provided by the Office of International Programs and the Office of the Executive Director.

The staff should continue to seek lessons learned from Canada's experience that could apply to the development of the U.S. National Source Tracking System that might enhance or hasten implementation.

The Commission strongly supported broadened opportunities for mid-career staff to consider short-term and long-term international assignments.

The staff should inform the Commission how the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research selects international projects for cooperation and participation. Additionally, the staff should inform the Commission of any prior missed opportunities to obtain the burn up credit data on fuel at an earlier stage and at a lower cost, provide a status of the availability of the data, and identify any areas in which the unavailability of domestic research capabilities may hamper future work.

The staff should work with other agencies to ensure that the Commission has sufficient time to consider export/import licensing actions and other matters brought to it for review.

cc: Chairman Klein
Commissioner McGaffigan
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Commissioner Jaczko
Commissioner Lyons
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