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VIENNA FOR IAEA; PARIS FOR EMB, USRO AND USOECD; GENEVA FOR
DISDEL.

SUBJ: POSSIBLE GERMAN NUCLEAR REACTOR EXPORT TO TAIWAN

REF: A. BONN'S 3000 TO DEPT (BUSEC 31).
B. TAIPEI'S 1088 TO DEPT. (BUSEC 5).
C. DEPTCIRC 1806.

1. MISSION HAS NO INDEPENDENT KNOWLEDGE OF REPORTED REPUBLIC
OF CHINA INTEREST AND TO PROJECT SOURCE WE HAVE MADE ON INQUIRIES
LOCALLY.

2. US INTEREST IN ENCOURAGING EURATOM MEMBER STATES TO PLACE
NUCLEAR EXPORTS UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS WELL KNOWN. IF GERMANS WERE
TO PLACE THIS PROPOSED EXPORT UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARD, IT WOULD BE
FIRST SUCH ACTION ON PART EURATOM MEMBER STATE, SO FAR AS WE
ARE AWARE. IN VIEW POSSIBILITIES OF CONCRETE DEVELOPMENTS IN
THIS CONNECTION, MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING INFORMATION
ON SPECIFIC PROCEDURES ENVISAGED.

3. WE ASSUME ALL PARTIES CONCERNED RECOGNIZE THAT US
INTERVENTION TO DISCOURAGE GERMAN SALE EVEN UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS
WOULD RISK SERIOUSLY UNDERCUTTING US ARGUMENTS AS TO EFFICACY
AND VALUE OF SAFEGUARDS.

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4. Mission is aware that Germans, French, and others in community are watching our actions in connection non-proliferation and safeguards to see whether we will assume positions that have effect of barring nuclear equipment sale on part US competitor but somehow not blocking sale of US equipment. For this reason

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And in general interest of promoting mutual trust and cooperation between us and Europe in safeguards field, Mission hopes we can proceed with maximum care and discretion in any demarche opposing sale even under IAEA safeguards. GP-3. Tuthill

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