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SUBJ: POSSIBLE GERMAN NUCLEAR REACTOR EXPORT TO TAIWAN

REF: A. BONN'S 3000 TO DEPT (BUSEC 31). AE 6
B. TAIPEI'S 1088 TO DEPT (BUSEC 5). AE 13
C. DEPTCIRC 1806. AE 13

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

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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 US 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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