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1. DURING LUNCHEON CONVERSATION SARABHAI RAISED NPT QUESTION WITH KRATZER. SARABHAI STATED THAT PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT THAT NPT UNACCEPTABLE IN PRESENT FORM DEFINITELY RULES OUT INDIAN SIGNATURE UNLESS TEXTUAL CHANGES MADE IN TREATY. HE SAID INDIA WOULD PROBABLY NOT HAVE MUCH TO SAY IN GA SESSION SINCE IT HAD ALREADY MADE ITS POSITION CLEAR IN GENEVA BUT IN RESPONSE TO

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INQUIRY AGREED TO IDENTIFY HIS OWN VIEWS AS TO ESSENTIAL POINTS WHICH WOULD PERMIT INDIAN SIGNATURE. SARABHAI STATED FOUR REQUIREMENTS. (1) COMPLETE FREEZE ON CURRENT POSTURE OF NUCLEAR POWERS, I.E. CESSATION OF PRODUCTION, COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN AND CESSATION OF FURTHER DISSEMINATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. KRATZER POINTED OUT THAT US ALWAYS PREPARED FOR MUTUAL CESSATION OF PRODUCTION UNDER SAFEGUARDS AND SARABHAI AGREED PROBLEM WAS WITH SOVIETS. (2) EQUALITY OF TREATMENT WITH REGARD TO NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS. I.E. ALL NATIONS SHOULD BE PERMITTED TO DESIGN AND MANUFACTURE PNES OR NONE SHOULD. (3) STRONGER SECURITY GUARANTEES. SARABHAI STATED THAT PRESENT FORMULATION OF SECURITY

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GUARANTEES DEALING WITH USE OF THREATS OF USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS INADEQUATE. STATED THAT IF NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATE IS ENGAGING IN HOSTILITIES WITH NON-NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATE THREAT OF USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IS IMPLICIT AND THEREFORE SECURITY GUARANTEES SHOULD ENCOMPASS THIS SITUATION AS WELL.

2. SARABHAI DID NOT IDENTIFY FOURTH POINT OF CONCERN BUT PROBABLY

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HAD IN MIND QUESTION OF NON-DISCRIMINATORY APPLICATION OF SAFEGUARDS TO ALL SIGNATORIES. HE PROCEEDED TO DISCUSS THIS POINT NOT AS A DEFECT IN CURRENT NPT DRAFT BUT RATHER AS A DESIRABLE FACTOR PROVIDED SAME TYPE OF VERIFICATION ("AUDIT") ARRANGEMENTS WERE APPLIED TO INDIAN SITUATION AS TO ALL OTHERS. HE DESCRIBED AUDIT AS OCCASIONAL SPOT CHECKS TO ASSURE EFFECTIVE SYSTEM UNDER BI-LATERAL OR MULTI-LATERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

3. SARABHAI STATED HE HAS BROUGHT TO GENEVA INDIAN COMMENTS ON US DRAFT TRI-LATERAL SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT AND ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR APRIL 3 DISCUSSION THIS SUBJECT. SARABHAI STATED HE HAS FINALLY SECURED INDIAN CABINET APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH NEGOTIATIONS OF TRANSFER OF SAFEGUARDS TO IAEA NOT WITHSTANDING FACT THAT CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES ARE NOT IN ACCORD WITH THOSE SPECIFIED BY BHABHA IN BOTH CABINET AND PUBLIC STATEMENTS. DISCLOSURE OF THIS PROSPECTIVE DEVELOPMENT OBVIOUSLY INTENDED TO PAVE WAY FOR STRONG INDIAN POSITION THAT IAEA ROLE IN SAFEGUARDS SHOULD BE LIMITED TO THAT OF AUDITOR OF BI-LATERAL ARRANGEMENTS. GP-3. TUBBY

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