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MEMORANDUM TO: Chairman Meserve
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FROM: Karen D. Cyr *Karen D. Cyr*
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SUBJECT: ARMS CONTROL, NONPROLIFERATION, AND SECURITY
ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1999

On November 29, 1999, President Clinton signed into law the Consolidated Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2000, Public Law 106-113. Incorporated into this omnibus legislation is the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001. Division B of that authorization legislation was enacted as the "Arms Control, Nonproliferation, and Security Assistance Act of 1999" ("1999 Act").

Subtitle B of the 1999 Act amends existing law to impose generally more specific and stringent requirements on particular agencies, including the NRC, to report to Congress on certain nuclear export and non-proliferation activities. Attached for Commission review and approval is a draft All Employees Announcement to implement this new requirement.

- 1. Congressional Notification of Non-Proliferation Activities under the Nuclear Nonproliferation Act
 - a. Summary and Discussion

Subtitle B, Section 1131 of the 1999 Act revises and expands the obligation of the NRC and identified executive branch agencies¹ under Section 602(c) of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act of 1978 ("NNPA") to keep Congress "fully and currently informed" with respect to nonproliferation-related activities through notifications to the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations and Governmental Affairs and the House of Representatives Committee on

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¹The identified executive branch agencies include the Department of State, the Department of Defense, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Energy, and the Central Intelligence Agency.

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