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Before taking action on this request, we would appreciate your views, in accordance with established procedures and from the overall perspective of the Executive Branch, as to whether the proposed export meets the applicable criteria in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Assurances from IAEA are required that the material will be subject to all of the terms and conditions of a U.S.-IAEA Agreement for Cooperation. Your assistance in obtaining the necessary assurances will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Stephen Dembek, Acting Deputy Director
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