

September 7, 1978

'Next Steps on Pakistan Reprocessing Deal,' State Department Cable 227260 to US Embassy France

Citation:

"'Next Steps on Pakistan Reprocessing Deal,' State Department Cable 227260 to US Embassy France", September 7, 1978, Wilson Center Digital Archive, Mandatory Declassification Review request. Obtained and contributed by William Burr and included in NPIHP Research Update #3.

https://wilson-center-digital-archive.dvincitest.com/document/112840

Summary:

The United States wants a public announcement from the French that the Pakistan plutonium reprocessing plant project is officially canceled.

Credits:

This document was made possible with support from Carnegie Corporation of New York (CCNY)

Original Language:

English

Contents:

Original Scan

UNCLASSIFIED

R46

PAGE ON DUS

Department of State

TELEGRAM

STATE 227260

k COPY 5

_OF 15 COPIES

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 YUDI R

RELEASED IN FULL

DRAFTED BY NEA/PAB:JACOUN:DAM APPROVED BY S/AS:GSMITH NEA:JMIKLOS L:JMICHEL P:JFORBES S/S-O - JTHYDEN OES:MGUHIN T/O:OHELCH H:RFLATEN PM/NPP:HUMPHREYS

-00617b 072306Z /70

O R 072228Z SEP 78 ZFF6
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE
INFO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD
AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

S E C R E T STATE 227260

NODIS

DECAPTIONED

E.D. 11652: GDS

EUR/WE:MLISSFELT .

TAGS: MNUC, TECH, PK, FR, US

SUBJECT: NEXT STEPS ON PAKISTAN REPROCESSING DEAL

REF: A) PARIS 29233; B) PARIS 28319

1. WE APPRECIATE RECEIVING JACOMET'S VIEWS REGARDING CONGRESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS AND HIS STATEMENT THAT HE SEES NO BAR TO THE GOF NOTIFYING US THAT THE REPROCESSING SECRET

NOT TO BE REPRODUCED WITHOUT THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE REVIEW AUTHORITY: ROBERT O HOMME DATE/CASE ID: 28 DEC 2010 201000057

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

N O VALUES OF A

Department of State

OUTGOING TELEGRAM

SECRET

PAGE 02

STATE 22/200

DEAL HAS BEEN CANCELLED AND THERE WILL BE NO MORE DELIVERIES TO THE PLANT. WE BELIEVE UP-COMING MEETING BETWEEN AMBASSADOR SMITH AND JACOMET ON SEPTEMBER LL WOULD PROVIDE GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO OBTAIN OFFICIAL FRENCH ASSURANCES AND HE HAVE PREPARED APPROPRIATE MATERIAL FOR SMITH'S BRIEFING BOOK.

- 2. WE ARE NOW REVIEWING OUR POSITION ON RESUMPTION OF AID AND MILITARY SALES TO PAKISTAN BUT HAVE NOT YET TAKEN ANY FIRM DECISIONS. AN ASSURANCE FROM THE FRENCH THAT THE REPROCESSING DEAL IS DEFINITELY DFF AND THAT NO TRANSFERS OF EQUIPMENT, MATERIAL OR TECHNOLOGY HAVE BEEN MADE SINCE ENACTMENT OF THE GLENN AMENUMENT (AUGUST 4, 1977) MOULD WE VERY USEFUL WHEN WE CONSULT WITH KEY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.
- 3. AT YOUR DISCRETION, YOU MAY CONVEY SUBSTANCE OF PARAS 1 AND 2 TO JACOMET. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ON FRENCH PLANS TO WITHDRAW TECHNICIANS FROM THE REPROCESSING FACILITY AT CHASMA AND ON FRENCH NUCLEAR INTENTIONS WITH RESPECT TO PAKISTAN. YOU MAY ALSO ASSURE JACOMET THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO MANAGE THE ISSUE IN WASHINGTON IN AS LOW-KEY A MANNER AS POSSIBLE.
- 4. SMITH ALSO WOULD BE GLAD TO BRIEF JACOMET ON OUR LATEST VIEW OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN SITUATION. CHRISTOPHER

SECRET

NOT TO BE REPRODUCED WITHOUT THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY