

## **December 10, 1975**

### **US Department of State Cable, ROK Nuclear Reprocessing**

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#### **Summary:**

The U.S. Ambassador to Korea Richard Sneider reports that he informed the South Korean Deputy Prime Minister of the "very adverse implications" of South Korea's planned purchase of a French reprocessing plant.

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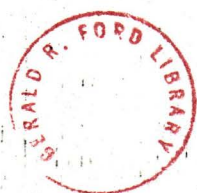
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1. AT DECEMBER 10 MEETING WITH DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER NAM, I REVIEWED WITH HIM MAJOR POINTS IN MY DEMARCHE TO PRIME MINISTER DECEMBER 8 ON FRENCH PROCESSING PLANT. I EMPHASIZED FOR HIM GREAT IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO THIS ISSUE AT HIGH LEVELS USG AND BROADER STAKE INVOLVED IN US-ROK RELATIONS.

2. NAM SAID THAT THERE HAD BEEN HIGH LEVEL MEETING CALLED BY PRIME MINISTER DECEMBER 9 ON THIS ISSUE, BUT THAT HE UNFORTUNATELY COULD NOT ATTEND DUE TO REQUIRED ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. NAM THOUGHT THAT THE REACTION TO OUR POSITION WAS NOT TOO GOOD. AFTER I WENT OVER AGAIN WITH HIM VERY ADVERSE IMPLICATIONS OF KOREAN REFUSAL TO CANCEL FRENCH CONTRACT, HE SAID HE WOULD TRY TO SEE PRIME MINISTER GIVEN SERIOUSNESS OF PROBLEM.  
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