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Department of State, 'Argentine Uranium'**

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Summary:

The Embassy reported that it had no information on Israeli uranium imports, and the only way to obtain that information would be a high-level inquiry to the Israeli Foreign Ministry.

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Inco-Uranium 17 Isr

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SUBJECT : Argentine Uranium (ref: C-515-51941)

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REF : (1) Department's CA-2198 of August 24
(2) Buenos Aires' A-160 of August 21

The various elements of this Embassy interested in uranium imports have no information to supply in answer to the questions set forth in ref. 1, nor do we feel it likely that information will be developed during the course of our collection efforts.

It seems probable that our only sizeable hope of obtaining the desired information in Israel would be through a high-level inquiry direct to the Israel Foreign Ministry. This course of action was, in fact, suggested by the GOI early this year in response to a question by a visiting American official about the sale of Argentine uranium to Israel as reported in 1 April 1964 issue of Nachrichten fur Aussenhandel. However, in view of the reservations expressed in Buenos Aires' 749 to the Department (November 30), we have never mentioned the subject.

If the Department decides that a direct inquiry should be made, we would appreciate specific instructions. We would also be most interested in learning whether the Government of Argentina ever responded to the questions raised by Deputy Cottonaro, as reported in ref. 2.

FOR THE AMBASSADOR:

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*See Buenos Aires A 763
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