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**Cable 131 from the Department of State to the US
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Summary:

The Department of State requested more information in response to intelligence that the Compagnie des Mines d'Uranium de Franceville in Gabon had requested permission to ship uranium ore to Israel.

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We understand Compagnie de Franceville, French company currently exploiting uranium deposits in Gabon, has requested permission from Government of Gabon for shipment of unspecified quantity of uranium ore to Israel. Appreciate Embassy's comment together with any supporting details Embassy can develop discreetly, including by informal approaches to appropriate government officials likely to be informed.

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