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CENTRIFUGE PROBLEM DISCUSSED WITH CARSTENS AND VON RHAMM FONOFF. MEETING DEVELOPED FOLLOWING POINTS.

1. FEDREP APPRECIATES NEED CONTROL EXPORT EQUIPMENT AND DISSEMINATION TECHNICAL KNOW HOW, AGREES WITH OUR OBJECTIVES, AND WILL COOPERATE IN EFFORT ACHIEVE SOLUTION. PREPARED CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS TO THIS END.

2. STRESSED WORK ON PRODUCTION U-235 BY CENTRIFUGE OR JET EFFUSION STILL IN EXPERIMENTAL STAGE AND AS YET NO SIGNIFICANT QUANTITIES PRODUCED. WORK IS CENTERED AT DEGUSSA, UNIVERSITY AACHEN (IN PROCESS TRANSFER JULICH) AND KARLSRUHE.

3. PROBLEM APPEARS BREAK DOWN INTO TWO PARTS:

- (A) CONTROL EXPORT CENTIFUGE EQUIPMENT,
- (B) CONTROL TECHNICAL INFORMATION.

4. EXPORT EQUIPMENT ALL DESTINATIONS SUBJECT LICENSE REQUIREMENT. GOVERNMENT DOES NOT ANTICIPATE ANY APPLICATIONS. WOULD PROBABLY BE WILLING DISCOURAGE SUBMISSION APPLICATIONS OR IF ANY RECEIVED CONSULT WITH US. WILL EXAMINE LEGAL BASIS FOR POSSIBLE DENIAL BUT ALSO COGNIZANT FOREIGN RELATIONS PROBLEM DENYING LICENSE FRIENDLY COUNTRY.

5. BELIVE CONTROL OF INFORMATION HARDER TO ACHIEVE. CARSTENS RECOGNIZES PROBLEM BUT HESITATES TO CLASSIFY DEVELOPMENT WORK SINCE CLASSIFICATION, IN HIS VIEW, PUTS IT IN WEAPONS RATHER

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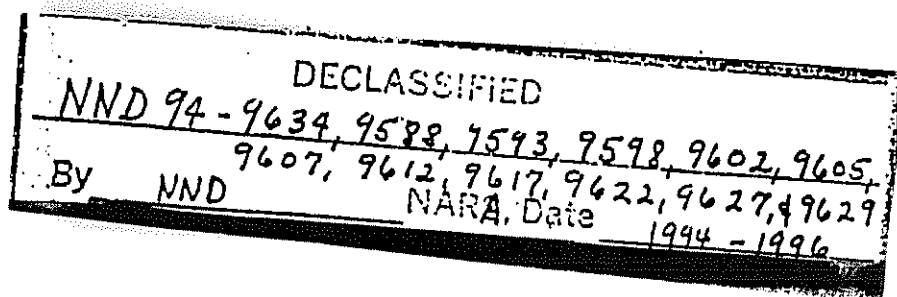
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THAN PEACEFUL USES CONTEXT. SAID CLASSIFICATION WOULD AROUSE SUSPICIONS FEDREP INTENTION INCLUDING POSSIBLE INVOCATION WEU. GAVE AS PERSONAL OPINION DESIRABILITY HAVING GOVERNMENT ADDRESS LETTER TO EXPERIMENTERS STRESSING NEED SELF CONTROL ACCESS TO LABORATORIES; PUBLICATION OF PAPERS AND OTHER WAYS DISSEMINATING INFORMATION. SAW NEED FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH TECHNICIANS BEFORE FINAL DECISION ON HOW BEST PROCEED.

6. CARSTENS ASSURED US FULL FONOFF COOPERATION AND ARRANGING ADDITIONAL MEETINGS WITH ATOMICS MINISTRY OFFICIALS.

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