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MEMORANDUM TO:

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SUBJECT:

ARMS CONTROL, NONPROLIFERATION, AND SECURITY  
ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1999

On November 29, 1999, President Clinton signed into law the Consolidated Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2000, Public Law 106-113. Incorporated into this omnibus legislation is the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001. Division B of that authorization legislation was enacted as the "Arms Control, Nonproliferation, and Security Assistance Act of 1999" ("1999 Act").

Subtitle B of the 1999 Act amends existing law to impose generally more specific and stringent requirements on particular agencies, including the NRC, to report to Congress on certain nuclear export and non-proliferation activities. Attached for Commission review and approval is a draft All Employees Announcement to implement this new requirement.

1. Congressional Notification of Non-Proliferation Activities under the Nuclear Nonproliferation Act

a. Summary and Discussion

Subtitle B, Section 1131 of the 1999 Act revises and expands the obligation of the NRC and identified executive branch agencies<sup>1</sup> under Section 602(c) of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act of 1978 ("NNPA") to keep Congress "fully and currently informed" with respect to nonproliferation-related activities through notifications to the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations and Governmental Affairs and the House of Representatives Committee on

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<sup>1</sup>The identified executive branch agencies include the Department of State, the Department of Defense, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Energy, and the Central Intelligence Agency.

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