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The information supplied you by Bob Miller of Gulf United regarding export of SNM 93 w/o to Japan is substantially correct.

We did extend Gulf United the courtesy of calling them on several occasions to explain what additional or lacking information was required rather than writing them which would have caused further licensing delays.

We tried to consolidate the three applications into two applications and were able to issue the license to Kyoto University on October 30, 1973.

The remaining material, all going to JAERI, was unfortunately given clearance by Japan in two segmented decisions, thus we did not get clearance from DISA until November 5. The license had to be typed and we had to advise the JCAE so the license was not issued until November 20, 1973.

We regret that our limited staff time that can be devoted to export licensing cannot provide customized service to meet the individual needs of the applicants for export licenses. We routinely caution all exporters not to commit on shipping dates or vessels, planes, etc., until the export license has been issued. We do telephone customs at exit ports at the request of the licensee to expedite the export, after the license is issued and before mailing it out. So far, we have had about an equal number of compliments to complaints on our service. Perhaps, were we to charge export license fees based on some percentage of the value of the shipment, we could afford more staff and provide better service.

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There is no way to predict processing time for an export license. Some companies supply complete information, including a letter of confirmation from the authorities of the consignee country that the material to be exported is within the scope of and will be accepted under the terms of the Agreement for Cooperation. As you can imagine, there is little delay in these instances taking only 2-4 weeks time, mostly in typing. On the other hand, we have a license application to ship a reactor to Japan that is dated January 17, 1973 and the Japanese have not yet given us an assurance under the Agreement for Cooperation.

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