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IN RESPONSE, PLEASE
REFER TO: M970127

MEMORANDUM TO: Hugh L. Thompson, Jr.
Acting Executive Director for Operations

FROM: John C. Hoyle, Secretary

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING BY DOE ON
PLUTONIUM DISPOSITION, 2:30 P.M., MONDAY,
JANUARY 27, 1997, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE
ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE,
MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by DOE on the current status of plans for the disposition of plutonium in the United States.

The staff, together with DOE, should explore ways of clarifying the respective responsibilities and future activities of the two agencies related to plutonium disposition, within the framework outlined in the NRC/DOE umbrella MOU recently signed by Chairman Jackson and former Secretary O'Leary and/or under the reimbursable agreement (DE-AI01-95MD10203) involving plutonium disposition.

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(SECY Suspense: 8/29/97)

For the record, the staff should contact DOE to clarify whether plutonium from surplus weapons materials could be used as fuel for the Fast Flux Test Facility.

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(SECY Suspense: 3/28/97)

cc: Chairman Jackson
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