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Reference: EOM 2019-00267

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

This is a final response to your correspondence of 2 January 2019 requesting an Executive Order 13526 mandatory declassification review of the following:

Title and Date: (Classified), 1976 which was referenced and processed during appeal number 2009-054-doc3.

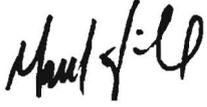
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Lilly". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

Mark Lilly
Information and Privacy Coordinator

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Domestic Collection Division
Foreign Intelligence Information Report

COUNTRY	Iran	DCD REPORT NO.	[Redacted]
SUBJECT	Possible Resumption of Negotiations for US Reactor/Interest in An 140 Pressurized Water Reactor	DATE DISTR.	5 APR 1976
	[Redacted]	NO. PAGES	2
		REFERENCES	[Redacted]
DATE OF INFO.	February 1976	THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION	

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1. The Atomic Energy Organization of Iran (AEOI) may resume negotiations with a US firm for a nuclear reactor, possibly in spring 1976. Negotiations were first started more than a year ago but a problem with a bilateral requirement on the reprocessing of spent fuel became an impediment to an agreement. When India exploded a nuclear device the US firm added a requirement to the bilaterals stipulating that spent fuel must be reprocessed outside of the country buying the reactor and that the contractor had to be approved by the US. Iran balked at this requirement stating that it was a member of the IAEA and a signatory to the NPT and therefore should not have the new requirement "imposed" on it. The Iranians also stated that the imposition of the requirement was really unilateral and was not being done by the West Germans and the French. It apparently was a matter of face with the Iranians, however in recent months, they appeared to understand that the reprocessing bilateral might be necessary and they may want to resume negotiations. Iran, in fact, has always been amenable and agreeable to being inspected to any extent required and this position has not changed.
2. The AEOI is interested in an 1150 MWe pressurized water reactor for both power and desalination. It is anticipated that if Iran decides to buy a US reactor, the AEOI would probably want the US firm to arrange financing for the project through the Export-Import Bank. This will depend, however, on how successful they are in arranging their own financing. It is known that they have gone to the financial community for assistance in the past and are continuing to do so. A difficulty that will be encountered in the actual construction of the plant will be the inadequate port facilities in Iran and probably labor problems. Conditions couldn't be worse in this regard and any construction schedule is almost certain to experience delays.
3. The AEOI now has over 300 employees and is still growing. They have already attracted a few people from India and Argentina into their nuclear program and would also like to get experienced US personnel. They are finding, however, that it is not easy to attract competent people because of the low salary that the government pays and private industry is now getting involved. Dr. Akbar Etemad, the president of AEOI, has great respect for US technology and is sincere about negotiating with the US.

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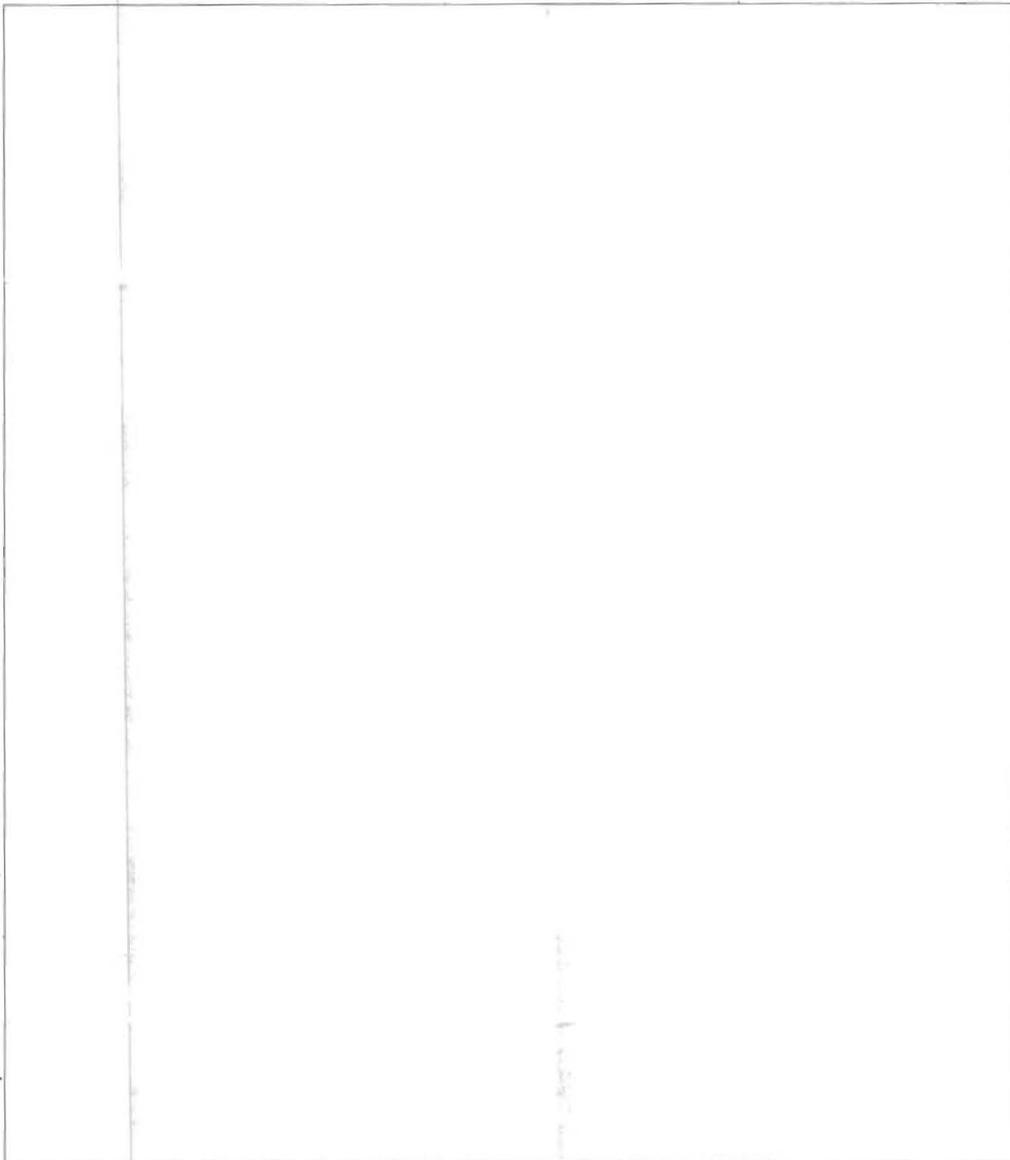
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