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E.O. 12065: GDS 7/18/86 (SAUNDERS, HAROLD)

TAGS: TECH, PARM, MNUC, US, IS

SUBJECT: FRENCH NUCLEAR TRANSACTION WITH IRAQ

1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT

2. FOLLOWING HIS BREAKFAST MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY JULY 16, EVRON TELEPHONED SAUNDERS DRAWING ATTENTION TO PRESS REPORTS ABOUT FRENCH SUPPLY OF URANIUM TO IRAQ AND ASKING THAT USG INTERVENE WITH FRENCH TO DISCOURAGE THEM FROM GOING AHEAD WITH THIS TRANSACTION. SAUNDERS SAID WE HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING QUESTION OF SUPPLY OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL TO IRAQ FOR SOME TIME AND HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH VARIOUS PARTIES. SAUNDERS SAID WE WOULD LOOK FURTHER INTO THE MATTER AND BE BACK IN TOUCH WITH ISRAELIS.

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