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(2) Adequate agreed safeguards essential for distribution US Atoms-for-Peace material since safeguards requirements embodied in US-Agency agreement covering US assistance;

(3) Establishment and administration safeguards system one of principal objectives Agency Statute. Failure members reach timely agreement Agency safeguards can only impair future effectiveness Agency and lead loss by Agency any leadership role this field;

(4) BG has had exhaustive discussions safeguards for over year and present document (GOV/510) reflects balance between political and technical considerations concerning safeguards question. We believe further protracted debate in Board beyond next session unlikely produce better document.

Unless you perceive serious objection, Mission instructed approach government to which accredited and urge support for adoption GOV/510 at March Board Meeting using above arguments as appropriate.

If question raised as to nature and extent action by IAEA General Conference desired by US, you should reply along following lines:

(1) US desires give consideration views other members re this question but believes best hold such consultations Vienna; and (2) US delegation will be instructed maintain close contact other delegations Vienna and will welcome consultation this aspect prior Board Meeting.

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Report government reaction by telegram repeating info to IAEA Mission Vienna.

FYI. In absence agreement on Agency safeguards system, Department experiencing increasing difficulty prevent sales uranium by suppliers other than US without adequate safeguards. Other developments, notably reported Soviet willingness provide reactors Indonesia and India without safeguards, make it essential that Board take affirmative action on safeguards at its forthcoming meeting. END FYI.

VIENNA for information IAEA Mission.

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