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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: TECH, ENRG, IS, EG

SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION OF REMARKS BY ISRAELI OFFICIALS TO  
TO CODEL RIBICOFF/BAKER

REF: STATE 0205

1. GEORGE MURPHY'S REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION IS UNDERSTANDABLE INASMUCH AS ISRAELI LEADERS WITH WHOM CODEL RIBICOFF/BAKER DISCUSSED NUCLEAR MATTERS WERE NOT PRECISE IN THEIR FORMULATIONS REGARDING RESERVATIONS TO NPT SIGNATURES. BOTH RABIN AND ALLON REFERRED TO "ISRAEL'S NEIGHBORS" AND SAID THOSE NEIGHBORS HAD SIGNED THE NPT BUT CLAIMED THEIR SIGNATURES DID NOT APPLY TO THEIR RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL.

2. THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT THE STATEMENTS OF RABIN AND ALLON AROUSED A CERTAIN INTEREST AT THE TIME AND EFFORTS WERE MADE TO DETERMINE THE FACTS. THOSE EFFORTS REVEALED THAT NEITHER THE DEPARTMENT, THE FCO IN LONDON, NOR THE MFA IN MOSCOW HAS ANY RECORD THAT EGYPT MADE ANY STATEMENT OR RESERVATION, ORALLY OR IN WRITING, AT THE TIME OF ITS SIGNATURE OF THE NPT (SEE STATE 276977, LONDON 18477, AND MOSCOW 18397, ALL 1976). THIS WOULD APPEAR TO CONFIRM MINSTATE RIAD'S STATEMENT TO AMBASSADOR EILTS NOVEMBER 9 THAT EGYPT'S SIGNATURE HAD CONTAINED NO RESERVATIONS (SEE CAIRO 15450, 1976).

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3. WE CHECKED WITH MFA DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL EVRON NOVEMBER 11 AND ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION. HE TOLD US AT THAT TIME THAT A RECHECK OF THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO ISRAEL SHOWED THAT EGYPT HAD ATTACHED A RESERVATION TO ITS SIGNATURE OF THE 1963 TEST BAN TREATY AND THAT SYRIA HAD RECORDED A RESERVATION WHEN IT SIGNED THE NPT (SEE 1976 TEL AVIV 7676).

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