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Record Description:

The first consignment of sixty tonnes (60) of natural uranium arrived India from France on April 1st, 2009. This uranium ore will be processed at the Nuclear Fuel Complex (NFC) in Hyderabad and converted into four thousand fuel bundles, each bundle containing about 15 kg of uranium dioxide. The consignment that arrived at Hyderabad is part of 300 tonnes of uranium ore. It will then be used at the Rajasthan Atomic Power Station (RAPS).

There are two power stations - RAPS-I and RAPS-II - about these we all are very well aware that had already been placed under IAEA safeguards. But it is not yet known that the NFC where the said urenium is being processed, is under IAEA domain or not.

The undersigned has already requested IAEA to inform the status with regards to NFC's safeguards agreement but not responded by IAEA tillnow. Since the India is not a signatory to NPT, I would therefore like to seek this information under FOIA about the current position regarding NFC in terms of IAEA safeguards from the Department of Energy at the earliest.

FOIA fee will be sent after receiving the desired information.

Thanks & Regards,

Preferred Form or Format: Supply of urenium to non-signatory of CTBT and NPT countries like India.

Type of Requester (if provided):

Affiliated with an educational or noncommercial scientific institution, and this request is made for scholarly or scientific purpose and not for commercial use.

Fees and Fee Waivers:

I agree to pay all applicable fees.

Expedited Processing:

Specific Justification for Expedited Processing:

Nuclear industry in India very complex and also this country is not signatory to CTBT and NPT.

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