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AMERICAN RESIDENT EXPERTS

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1. DURING MY CALL ON VICE FOREIGN MINISTER CHIEN, REPORTED REFTTEL B, CHIEF, SAYING HE WAS SPEAKING PERSONALLY, ASKED IF EMBASSY HAD HEARD ANYTHING FROM WASHINGTON REGARDING PREMIER'S OFFER FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF RESIDENT AMERICAN NUCLEAR EXPERTS ON TAIWAN.

2. I TOLD CHIEN THAT WE HAD NO DEFINITE WORD YET, BUT THAT I WAS CONFIDENT THAT THE OFFER WAS RECEIVING SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BY THE CONCERNED AGENCIES OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. I ADDED MY STRICTLY PERSONAL THOUGHT THAT THERE MIGHT BE SOME PRACTICAL DIFFICULTIES IN STATIONING PEOPLE FULL TIME IN TAIWAN BUT PERHAPS AN ARRANGEMENT COULD BE WORKED OUT TO SEND EXPERT TEAMS IN FROM TIME TO TIME.

3. CHIEF INDICATED THAT SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT SOUNDED REASONABLE-- AND VOLUNTEERED THE REMARK THAT VISITING TEAMS WOULD BE GIVEN "FULL ACCESS TO ALL NUCLEAR FACILITIES". HE ALSO NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT APPROVAL OF ANY MODIFICATION OF THE ORIGINAL GROC PROPOSAL WOULD REST WITH THE PREMIER.  
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