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1. VICTOR CHENG, SECRETARY GENERAL ROC ATOMIC ENERGY COUNCIL, TOLD EMBOFF APRIL 20 THAT HE HAS DISCUSSED MR. SNEIDER'S PROPOSAL OF MARCH 20 IN ROC SINCE HIS RETURN FROM US, AND ROC WOULD WELCOME VISIT OF US STUDY GROUP TO DISCUSS US/ROC NUCLEAR COOPERATION OVER NEXT FIVE YEARS.

2. EMBASSY WOULD WELCOME VISIT TEAM OF TWO OR THREE NUCLEAR EXPERTS WHO WOULD BE ABLE BOTH TO DISCUSS NUCLEAR COOPERATION AND TO ACQUIRE INFORMATION ON DEVELOPMENTS IN ROC NUCLEAR WEAPONS CAPABILITY. SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS ON LATTER OBJECTIVE OF VISIT WILL BE FORWARDED THROUGH SEPARATE CHANNELS.
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