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INFO : RIO DE JANEIRO, BUENOS AIRES

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FROM : Amembassy VIENNA DATE: February 24, 1965

SUBJECT : Neutron Diffractometer for Brazil

REF : Dept's CA-6325 to Rio de Janeiro rptd info Buenos Aires and Vienna

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The referenced airgram suggested that the Brazilian CNEN might wish to obtain advice regarding the acquisition of a Neutron Diffractometer from Dr. Norris Nereson who is on an IAEA assignment to Sao Paulo as visiting professor.

The Mission is transmitting, herewith, copies of two letters which Dr. Nereson has sent to the IAEA in which he mentions several possible sources for the procurement of a Diffractometer and inquires as to the status of financial assistance from the Agency. It is noted that in his letter of January 15 he states that Professor Prado advised him that CNEN is willing to pay half of the cost towards procurement of a Diffractometer.

The Agency has informed Dr. Nereson that the Agency's assistance in this project is to come through the 1962 equipment grant by the United States Government and that the United States has been discussing with Brazilian authorities means by which costs over and above the \$30,000 promised by the United States might be covered.

Enclosures:

1. Copy of ltr from Dr. Nereson dated January 15, 1965.
2. Copy of ltr from Dr. Nereson dated January 10, 1965.

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In transmitting these letters to the Mission, the Agency requested any further information which we might be able to provide on the matter. The Mission would accordingly appreciate advice as to the current status of discussions on this subject.

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to the International Atomic Energy Agency:

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