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U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Habib urges South Korea to cancel a planned purchase of a French reprocessing plant.

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1. FOLLOWING MEETING WITH PRESIDENT PARK, ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB RAISED NUCLEAR REPROCESSING ISSUE WITH PRESIDENTIAL SECRETARY GENERAL KIM CHONG-YUM. REFERRING TO AMBASSADOR'S CONVERSATION DECEMBER 8 WITH PRIME MINISTER, HE STRESSED TO KIM MAJOR IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO THIS ISSUE BY USG, URGING CANCELLATION OF REPROCESSING CONTRACT WITH FRENCH.

2. KIM SAID THAT HE HAD NOT YET RECEIVED REPORT OF CONVERSATION WITH PRIME MINISTER BUT WOULD GIVE VERY CAREFUL CONSIDERATION TO US POSITION ON REPROCESSING ISSUE.

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