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COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED FROM MEMBERS REGARDING
THE EXPORT OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL AND OF CERTAIN
CATEGORIES OF EQUIPMENT AND OTHER MATERIAL

The attached letter dated 11 February 1993 from the Resident Representative of the Russian Federation to the Agency concerning the export of nuclear material and of certain categories of equipment and other material is circulated upon his request.

Letter of 11 February 1993 to the Director General from the Resident Representative of the Russian Federation to the Agency

I have the honour to refer to the letters from the Permanent Mission of the USSR to the International Organizations in Vienna of 22 August 1974 and 1 September 1978 and to the note of 26 December 1991 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

In the years since the procedures for the export of nuclear materials and of certain categories of equipment and other material, as contained in document INFCIRC/209, were formulated, significant changes have taken place in nuclear technology, making it desirable to clarify the sections of the Trigger List which were originally incorporated in Memorandum B of document INFCIRC/209. A number of clarifications were covered in documents INFCIRC/209/Mod.1, 2, 3 and 4 and consolidated in INFCIRC/209/Rev.1.

The Government of the Russian Federation now considers it desirable to clarify that part of the Trigger List which refers to plants for the production of heavy water, deuterium and deuterium compounds and equipment especially designed or prepared therefor.

I therefore wish to inform you that Section 6 of the Annex to document INFCIRC/209/Rev.1 (Clarification of Items on the Trigger List) now includes the text reproduced in the attachment to this letter. */

As hitherto, the Government of the Russian Federation reserves the right to exercise discretion with regard to the interpretation and implementation of the procedures referred to in the above letters and the right to control if it wishes, the export of items relevant to the production of heavy water, deuterium or deuterium compounds other than those specified in the attachment to this letter.

I should be grateful if you would circulate the text of this letter and its attachment to the Governments of all Member States of the Agency for their information.

^{*/} See attachment to INFCIRC/209/Rev.1/Mod.1.