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THE TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN VIET NAM AND
THE AGENCY FOR THE APPLICATION OF SAFEGUARDS
IN CONNECTION WITH THE TREATY ON THE
NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Termination of the Agreement

1. The Director General has received the following letter dated 25 July 1980 from the Resident Representative of the United States of America:

I have been instructed to inform you that the Socialist Republic of Vietnam has informed the Government of the United States, in its capacity as one of the depositaries for the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT), that the Socialist Republic of Vietnam does not consider itself bound by treaties and agreements, including the NPT, entered into by "the former Saigon administration".

On this basis, my Government has decided to delete the Republic of Vietnam from its list of parties to the NPT. However, for historical purposes a note has been added at the end of the U.S. list of NPT parties as follows:

"Note: The Republic of Vietnam signed the Non-Proliferation Treaty on July 1, 1968 and deposited an instrument of ratification of that treaty on September 10, 1971.

"By letters of August 1, 1979 and May 6, 1980, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam informed the Secretary of State, in his capacity as depositary for the Non-Proliferation Treaty, that the Socialist Republic of Vietnam does not consider itself bound by the treaties and agreements signed by the former Saigon administration. Consequently, the United States, as one of the depositaries for the Treaty has decided to delete the Republic of Vietnam from its list of parties to the treaty."

2. In view of the above, the Agreement between the Republic of Viet Nam and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in connection with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons^{1/} has ceased to be in force.

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