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## COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED FROM CERTAIN MEMBER STATES REGARDING GUIDELINES FOR THE EXPORT OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL, EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

## A further communication, dated 18 December 1991

- 1. On 2 January 1992 the Director General received a Note Verbale dated 18 December 1991 from the Permanent Mission of Austria relating to the export of nuclear material, equipment or technology.
- As requested, the text of the Note Verbale is reproduced below for the information of all Member States.

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The Permanent Mission of Austria to the International Atomic Energy Agency presents its compliments to the Director General and has the honour to state the following:

The Government of Austria has taken note of the communications, addressed to the Director General of the IAEA on 11 January 1978 by 15 Member States, containing the common principles and guidelines that those States have decided to apply in the export of nuclear materials, equipment and technology,

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as reproduced in IAEA document INFCIRC/254. In accordance with its continues support for the strengthening of the existing non-proliferation regime the Austrian Government has decided to base its nuclear export policy on these principles and guidelines.

On 17 December 1991 the Government of Austria transmitted to the Austrian Parliament the draft of a Nuclear Safeguards Act 1991 to provide in domestic law a legal basis for the implementation of the principles and guidelines set forth in IAEA document INFCIRC/254.

The Government of Austria has the honour to request the Director General of the IAEA to communicate the text of this Note to the Member Governments for their information and as a demonstration of support by the Government of Austria for the Agency's non-proliferation objectives and safeguards activities.

The Permanent Mission of Austria to the International Atomic Energy Agency avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Director General the assurances of its highest consideration.