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COMMUNICATION RECEIVED ON 25 APRIL 1995 FROM THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BELARUS TO THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

- 1. On 25 April 1995, the Director General received a letter from the Resident Representative of Belarus to the International Atomic Energy Agency submitting the official notification of the signing by Belarus of the Agreement between the Republic of Belarus and the Agency for the Application of Safeguards pursuant to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT).
- 2. At the request of the Resident Representative, the text of the attached notification is circulated for the information of Member States.

TEXT OF OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF THE SIGNING BY BELARUS
OF THE SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS
AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY PURSUANT
TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

14 April 1995

On 14 April 1995 at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs a ceremony took place marking the signing of the agreement between the Republic of Belarus and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the application of safeguards. The agreement was signed for the Republic of Belarus by Mr. I. A. Kenik, Minister for Emergencies and the Protection of the Population from the Consequences of the Accident at the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant. The ceremony was also attended by Mr. V.L. Sen'ko, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Belarus.

The safeguards agreement was concluded pursuant to Article III of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, to which Belarus acceded in July 1993.

In February 1993 the Supreme Soviet of Belarus ratified the Treaty on the Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms and the associated Lisbon Protocol. With the signing of the safeguards agreement, the Republic of Belarus has taken another step towards strengthening the nuclear non-proliferation regime, which is especially timely on the eve of the NPT Review and Extension Conference, and has emphasized once more its commitment to the ideals of peace and security.