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Communication dated 15 April 2005 received from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Croatia concerning Croatia's Nuclear Policies and Practices

- 1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 15 April 2005 from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Croatia concerning Croatia's nuclear policies and practices.
- 2. As requested in the Note Verbale, the text is attached for the information of all Member States.



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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Croatia to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to transmit this communication concerning Croatia's nuclear policies and practices.

The Republic of Croatia adheres to major international nuclear non-proliferation agreements in this field - the Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty and the Convention on Physical Protection of Nuclear Materials. These form Croatia's national nuclear non-proliferation policies.

In June 1994 Croatia signed its Full-Scope Safeguards Agreement with the IAEA and in January 1995 established the state system on accounting control and physical protection of nuclear materials. The Additional Protocol to the Safeguards Agreement was signed in September 1998 and came in force in July 2000. In July 2004 Croatia adopted the Export Control Law which further strengthened governmental control over transfers of strategic materials, including nuclear material.

In establishing its National Export Control System in January 2005 Croatia decided to respect and act in accordance with the provisions of INFCIRC/254/Part 1 and part 2 as amended, with regard to any transfer of nuclear material, equipment and related technology, including nuclear related dual-use equipment, materials, software and related technology.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Croatia to the International Organizations in Vienna requests the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency to circulate this note to all IAEA Member States for their information and as evidence of Croatia's support for the Agency's non-proliferation objective and safeguards activities.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Croatia to the International Organizations in Vienna avails itself opportunity to renew to the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest consideration

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Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency