

Information Circular

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Communication Dated 19 July 2019 Received From the Permanent Mission of Norway Concerning a Joint Statement on Minimising and Eliminating the Use of Highly Enriched Uranium in Civilian Applications

1. The Secretariat has received a communication dated 19 July 2019 from the Permanent Mission of Norway attaching the first national report by Norway on "Minimising and Eliminating the Use of Highly Enriched Uranium in Civilian Applications" and requesting the Secretariat to bring the communication and its attachment to the attention of all IAEA Member States.

2. As requested, the communication and its attachment are herewith circulated for the information of all Member States.



PERMANENT MISSION OF NORWAY TO THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN VIENNA

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NOTE VERBALE

The permanent Mission of Norway to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to request that the IAEA Secretariat bring the following note verbale and its attachments to the attention of all IAEA Member States.

In a Joint Statement circulated by the Secretariat as INFCIRC 912, Norway and several other Member States pledged to make every effort to achieve further progress with regard to minimising and eliminating the use of highly enriched uranium (HEU) in civilian applications.

The Joint Statement includes a template for a Voluntary Reporting Mechanism designed to track Member States' progress with respect to HEU removals, HEU research reactor conversions, HEU downblending, disposition and stocks. The first national report from Norway is enclosed.

IAEA Member States wishing to subscribe to the Joint Statement and make use of the Voluntary Reporting Mechanism are asked to inform the IAEA Secretariat via note verbale.

The Permanent Mission of Norway to the International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 19 July 2019

Attached:

 National Report on Minimising and Eliminating the Use of Highly Enriched Uranium in Civilian Applications as per the Voluntary Template enclosed in INFCIRC 912

To the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency

NORWAY

Voluntary Reporting on Minimising and Eliminating the Use of Highly Enriched Uranium in Civilian Applications

HEU is defined as uranium with enrichment levels of 20% or higher U-235.

Figures rounded to nearest kg Utotal.

Annual figures as of 31 December 2018:

Current Inventories of Civilian HEU

Description	Quantity	Comments
Unirradiated high enriched uranium at research reactor sites	<1 kg	Mixed with thorium oxide
Irradiated high enriched uranium at research reactor sites	3 kg	Mixed with thorium oxide