

Information Circular

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1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 15 August 2022 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the Agency.

2. As requested, the Note Verbale, together with its attachment, is herewith circulated for the information of all Member States.

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ПОСТОЯННОЕ ПРЕДСТАВИТЕЛЬСТВО РОССИЙСКОЙ ФЕДЕРАЦИИ ПРИ МЕЖДУНАРОДНЫХ ОРГАНИЗАЦИЯХ В ВЕНЕ



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The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to transmit the following.

The Kiev regime continues military strikes against Zaporozhskaya Nuclear Power Plant (ZNPP) and the city of Energodar, pushing the situation towards a nuclear disaster.

In the evening of August 14, as a result of another shelling by the armed forces of Ukraine (AFU), an open switchgear of 750 kV was damaged. There are malfunctions in the central control panel for the distribution of electricity at ZNPP. The extent and character of damage is being specified.

The criminal acts of the Ukrainian side led to the situation in which four out of seven power lines supplying the ZNPP with electricity became damaged. As of 6 am on August 15, power units 5 and 6 were connected to the grid at ZNPP and operated at a capacity of 805 MW and 625 MW respectively. Power units 1 and 3 are under maintenance, units 2 and 4 are in cold shutdown mode.

According to updated information, on August 12 as a result of a direct hit by an artillery shell of the AFU in the security zone perimeter cable tray, the technical security system was disabled and remains inoperable.

During the shelling of ZNPP on August 11 by the units of the 44th artillery brigade of the armed forces of Ukraine from the side of the town of Nikopol, the auxiliary thermal power plant and the equipment of the spray ponds of the nuclear

reactors cooling system were partially damaged. Some infrastructure facilities of ZNPP hydroshop were destroyed.

It was only thanks to the professional and effective actions of the Russian military that the critical infrastructure of ZNPP was not damaged and the operation of the reactors was not disrupted.

Fragments of 155 mm NATO caliber shells were found at ZNPP site after AFU strikes. This is yet another confirmation that such acts by the Ukrainian side would not have been possible without the support of its Western curators.

Russia calls on the leadership of the IAEA and the UN to condemn the actions of the Kiev authorities and call on them to stop strikes on nuclear facilities and potentially hazardous industries.

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation requests the Secretariat to circulate this information among all IAEA Member States as soon as possible.

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the IAEA Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

<u>Attachment</u>: Scheme of AFU strikes against ZNPP on August 11, 2022 and photos of consequences of the strikes, 6 pp.

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