

Information Circular

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1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 20 April 2022 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the Agency.

2. As requested, the Note Verbale 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.

Recently fakes were being distributed in order to show actions by the Russian military forces at Ukrainian nuclear facilities in a negative way. This propaganda is especially active in relation to the situation at the Chernobyl NPP (ChNPP), which Russian military forces left back on March 31, 2022, transferring full control over this NPP to the Ukrainian side. Upon Kiev's initiative a distorted picture of what was happening at the ChNPP is being transmitted by the Western media, creating a false perception of reality.

Particularly far from reality are statements based on some unverified UAV images, that Russian troops were digging trenches and building fortifications in the contaminated areas of the Chernobyl exclusion zone. The Armed Forces of the Russian Federation did not carry out any additional engineering activities at the positions around the ChNPP and any work related with lading damage.

The Kiev authorities groundlessly claim that the Russian military forces, while being in the Chernobyl exclusion zone, allegedly received high doses of radiation. In attempt to confirm this, videos are demonstrated with some dosimeter readings in places where Russian military personnel was temporarily stationed. In this regard, we remind that during the stay of Russian military forces on the territory of exclusion zone and at the ChNPP facilities military specialists constantly carried out radiation monitoring on the territory adjacent to the station and also kept record of individual doses using dosimeters. The set of measures to ensure radiation safety carried out by Russian military specialists made it possible to prevent human exposure to radiation doses, exceeding the limits established by health and safety regulations of Russian Federation. The exposure dose of Russian military forces, who were present at the ChNPP from February 24 till March 31, 2022, did not exceed 78 μ Sv (7,8 mrem).

During the withdrawal of the Russian military forces on March 31, 2022, an act of acceptance and transfer of the ChNPP was signed, that indicated that there were no claims from the administration of the protected facility with regard to the presence of Russian troops.

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.

Vienna, "¿? April 2022