

Information Circular

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1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 7 July 2022 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the Agency.

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

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

Competent authorities of Ukraine record the attempts by representatives of the Russian occupying forces to accuse personnel of Zaporizhzhya NPP of storing weapons and explosives on the industrial site of the plant. For this purpose, Russian military personnel captured the employees of ZNPP and, using physical and psychological pressure, attempted to obtain information about the alleged concealment of weapons and explosives in concrete bowls of cooling pools.

In order to continue further search activities, the Russian occupying forces insist on turning off the cooling system in order to further drain the cooling pools.

According to the conclusions of experts in the nuclear energy industry, giving instructions to the management of ZNPP regarding the unjustified shutdown of equipment that is involved in the functioning of systems responsible for the safety of power units in violation of the requirements of the technological regulations for the operation of power units is a clear fact of interference in the technological process.

Interference with the operation of the nuclear power plant by turning off the cooling system of the relevant equipment can lead to emergency situations at the nuclear power plant with unpredictable consequences.

In addition, the possibility of intentional placing of weapons and explosives in the cooling pools by the representatives of the occupying troops for their further use in propaganda reports cannot be not excluded.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine requests the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency to promptly circulate this Note Verbale as Information Circular to all IAEA Member States.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine 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, 7 July 2022

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