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1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 11 January 2023 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.

On 29 December 2022, as a result of Russian shelling of the Zaporizhzhia NPP, the 330 kV reserve power line of Ferosplavna was damaged. Currently, repair work is underway to restore it.

As of 4 January 2023, the Russian occupying forces continue to directly and illegally interfere in the management process of the Zaporizhzhia NPP as well as block access of the legitimate managers of the NPP, in particular Acting Director General Mr D.Verbytskyi and Chief Engineer Mr I.Murashov, to the facility.

In fact, the organizational and administrative functions on matters related to nuclear and radiation safety at the Zaporizhzhia NPP were illegally taken over by Mr Y.Chernychuk, who had been deprived of the license of the State Nuclear Regulatory Inspectorate of Ukraine for the right to perform these functions in connection with violation of license requirements. The Russian side is taking technical measures to transfer the Zaporizhzhia NPP into autonomous mode for possible further connection to the Russian power grid.

The Russian occupiers, led by representatives of the Rosatom corporation, carried out work to install and connect seven mobile diesel generators with a total capacity of 7MW to the NPP's security system.

In order to prevent the operation of the Zaporizhzhia NPP within the unified Ukrainian energy system and the resumption of electricity production, the Russian occupiers continue to block the start-up of power units No. 5 and 6.

Abduction and torture of Ukrainian personnel, as well as pressure and torture of Ukrainian citizens continue to force them to sign contracts with a Russian fake company created for the illegal operation of the Zaporizhzhia NPP.

Secretariat International Atomic Energy Agency Vienna Until now, the state of arbitrary construction of an unknown structure by the Russian occupiers at the site of the Dry Spent Fuel Storage Facility of the Zaporizhzhia NPP remains unknown. Ukrainian personnel of the Zaporizhzhia NPP are not allowed to the site of construction and installation work.

Above-mentioned illegal actions of the Russian Federation at the Ukrainian nuclear facility, the Zaporizhzhia NPP, are in total contradiction to the IAEA Board of Governors resolutions GOV/2022/17 of 3 March 2022, GOV/2022/58 of 15 September 2022 and GOV/2022/71 of 17 November 2022 "The safety, security and safeguards implications of the situation in Ukraine".

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, 11 January 2023