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Communication from the Permanent Missions of the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation and the Islamic Republic of Iran

1. On 19 March 2025, the Director General received a communication from the Permanent Missions of the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation and the Islamic Republic of Iran, attaching the Joint Statement of the Beijing Meeting between the three parties.
2. As requested, the communication and its attachment are herewith circulated for the information of all Member States.



Vienna, 19 March 2025

H.E. Mr Rafael Mariano Grossi
Director General of the IAEA

Excellency,

On March 14, the deputy foreign ministers of China, Russia, and Iran held a meeting in Beijing. The three parties conducted in-depth exchange of views on the Iranian nuclear issue and issued a joint statement.

It is the hope of the Permanent Missions of China, the Russian Federation and the Islamic Republic of Iran that this letter, together with the attached Joint Statement of the three parties, will be duly circulated to all IAEA Member States by the Secretariat as an INFCRIC document.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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Representative of the
People's Republic of
China

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Joint Statement of the Beijing Meeting between China, Russia and Iran

MARCH 14, 2025

The Beijing Meeting between China, Russia and Iran was successfully held on March 14, 2025. The Beijing Meeting was chaired by Deputy Foreign Minister Ma Zhaoxu of the People's Republic of China, with participation of Deputy Foreign Minister Ryabkov Sergey Alexeevich of the Russian Federation and Deputy Foreign Minister Kazem Gharibabadi of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

China, Russia and Iran engaged in in-depth discussions on the latest state of play with regard to nuclear issue and sanctions lifting. The three countries emphasized on the necessity of terminating all unlawful unilateral sanctions.

The three countries reiterated that political and diplomatic engagement and dialogue based on the principle of mutual respect remains the only viable and practical option in this regard.

The three countries emphasized that relevant parties should be committed to addressing the root cause of the current situation and abandoning sanction, pressure, or threat of force.

The three countries stressed the importance of the UNSC Resolution 2231, including its timeframes, and called for relevant parties to refrain from any action that may escalate the situation, so as to create a favourable atmosphere and conditions for diplomatic efforts.

The three countries reiterated the importance of upholding the Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) as the cornerstone of international non-proliferation regime. China and Russia welcomed Iran's reiteration that its nuclear programme is exclusively for peaceful purposes and not for development of nuclear weapons, and also welcomed Iran's commitment to full compliance with its obligations under the NPT and Comprehensive Safeguard Agreement, supported Iran's policy to continue cooperation with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), and stressed the need to fully respect Iran's right to peaceful uses of nuclear energy as a State Party to the NPT. The three countries stressed the necessity for all States to refrain from any action that undermines the technical, objective and impartial work of the IAEA.

Iran and Russia commended China for its constructive role and hosting the Beijing meeting. The three countries agreed to continue their close consultation and cooperation in the future.

The three countries also exchanged views on regional and international issues of common interest, and agreed to maintain and strengthen their coordination in international organizations and multilateral arrangements such as BRICS and Shanghai Cooperation Organization.