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Communication from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the Agency

1. On 26 March 2025, the Secretariat received a Note Verbale 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 wishes to draw urgent attention to the following.

On 24 March 2025, unauthorized individuals—allegedly foreign journalists and bloggers—were reported to have visited the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant (ZNPP), a sensitive and restricted nuclear facility that remains under the illegal occupation of the Russian Federation. Lacking any authorization from Ukraine's competent authorities, these individuals were observed in highly sensitive areas, including reactor turbine halls and the spent fuel facility.

Such unauthorized access constitutes a grave violation of international nuclear safety and security standards as established by the IAEA, as well as a blatant infringement of Ukrainian laws and regulations governing restricted nuclear facilities. Furthermore, these unauthorized visits are being exploited for propaganda purposes, aimed at distorting facts and misleading the international community.

It is particularly concerning that while the IAEA expert mission continues to face restrictions in accessing specific premises and critical operational locations at the ZNPP, propagandist bloggers and unauthorized individuals—who lack the appropriate training and authorization—are routinely allowed by the occupying administration to access and document sensitive and critical operational areas.

The selective denial of access to authorized IAEA representatives, coupled with the selective admission of propagandists, constitutes a deliberate attempt to manipulate and distort the true state of affairs at the facility.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine kindly requests the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency to promptly circulate this Note Verbale as an 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 Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest consideration.



Vienna, 25 March 2025

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