COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED FROM MEMBERS REGARDING THE EXPORT OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL AND OF CERTAIN CATEGORIES OF EQUIPMENT AND OTHER MATERIAL.

1. The Director General has received letters dated 27 May 1993 from the Resident Representatives of Portugal and Spain to the Agency concerning the export of nuclear material and of certain categories of equipment and other material.

2. In the light of the wish expressed at the end of each letter, the text of the letters is attached hereto.
LETTER

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of [Member State] has under consideration procedures in relation to exports of

(a) source or special fissionable material, and

(b) equipment and material especially designed or prepared for the processing, use or production of special fissionable material,

in the light of its commitment under Article III paragraph 2 of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons not to provide such items to any non-nuclear-weapon State for peaceful purposes, unless the source or special fissionable material is subject to safeguards under an agreement with the International Atomic Energy Agency.

The Government of [Member State] has decided to act in this context in accordance with the provisions of INFCIRC/209/Rev.1 and INFCIRC/209/Rev.1/Mod.1. In so doing, my Government reserves the right to exercise discretion with regard to the interpretation and implementation of the procedures set out and the right to control, if it wishes, the export of relevant items other than those specified.

So far as trade within the European Community is concerned, the Government of [Member State] will implement these procedures in the light of its commitments as a member of the European Community.

I would be grateful if you would bring this information to the attention of all Member States of the Agency.