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**COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED FROM CERTAIN MEMBER STATES
REGARDING GUIDELINES FOR THE EXPORT OF NUCLEAR
MATERIAL, EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY**

Nuclear Transfers

1. The Director General has received a Note Verbale dated 8 February 1993 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Organizations in Vienna relating to the export of nuclear material, equipment or technology.
2. The purpose of the Note verbale is to provide information on that Government's Guidelines for Nuclear Transfers.
3. In the light of the wish expressed at the end of the Note Verbale, the text of the Note Verbale is annexed hereto.

*/ INFCIRC/254/Rev.1/Part 2 contains Guidelines for Transfers of Nuclear-related Dual-use Equipment, Material and related Technology.

NOTE VERBALE

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to refer to the letter of the Permanent Mission of the USSR to the International Organizations in Vienna dated 11 January 1978, in which the Government of the USSR stated its resolve to act in accordance with the principles for nuclear exports set out in the document attached to that letter, and to the letter of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation dated 26 December 1991, which stated that the "membership of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in the IAEA and all its organs, as well as that country's participation in all conventions, agreements and other international legal documents concluded within the framework or under the aegis of the Agency, are to be continued by the Russian Federation".

The Government of the Russian Federation accordingly adheres to these principles and expresses the hope that other Governments which have not yet done so will also decide to adopt these Guidelines as the basis of their nuclear export policies.

In the above-mentioned letter reference is made to the importance of not allowing considerations of commercial competition to influence the application of safeguards and the pursuit of non-proliferation. This is just as important as it ever was.

The development of nuclear technology since the time when the Guidelines were originally formulated and issued in document INFCIRC/254 has led to the need for further elucidation of certain sections of the original list contained in Annex A to the Guidelines. Accordingly, the attached copy of the full text of the Guidelines contains, in the interests of clarity, a new Section A of Annex A and revised attachments thereto (a new Annex B) */.

The Government of the Russian Federation requests the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency to distribute the text of this Note Verbale and the attachments thereto to the Governments of all Member States for information and as evidence of the support given by the Government of the Russian Federation to the Agency in carrying out its non-proliferation tasks and its activities in the safeguards field.

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation avails itself of this opportunity to reiterate to the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest esteem.

*/ See Attachment to INFCIRC/254/Rev.1/Part 1.