

# Board of Governors

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## Request by the Russian Federation regarding its Initiative to Establish a Reserve of Low Enriched Uranium (LEU) for the Supply of LEU to the IAEA for its Member States

**Resolution adopted by the Board of Governors on 27 November 2009**

The Board of Governors,

- (a) Recalling the Report by the Director General GOV/INF/2007/11 “Possible New Framework for the Utilization of Nuclear Energy: Options for Assurance of Supply of Nuclear Fuel”,
- (b) Recalling the document GOV/INF/2009/1 “Russian Federation Initiative to Establish a Reserve of Low Enriched Uranium (LEU) to the IAEA for Its Member States”,
- (c) Recalling the Report by the Director General GOV/2009/31 “Assurance of Supply - Russian Federation Initiative to Establish a Reserve of Low Enriched Uranium (LEU) to the IAEA for Its Member States”,
- (d) Noting the provisions of the Article IX of the IAEA Statute allowing Member States to make available to the Agency nuclear materials for supply to other Member States,
- (e) Noting that a number of concepts of assurances of supply of nuclear fuel have been proposed, which can complement each other to strengthen the assurances provided to interested Member States, and that discussions have already taken place in the Board,
- (f) Reaffirming that the establishment of the reserve of LEU and the subsequent implementation of future agreements with Member States will be carried out as a back-up solution only and in such a way that any disturbance of or interference in the functioning of the existing fuel market is avoided, while noting the importance of developing a range of complementary options for additional assurances of supply, and the fact that the good operation of the market already provides assurances of supply, and

(g) Emphasizing that the inalienable rights of all Parties to the NPT to develop research, production and use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes without discrimination provided for in Article IV of the NPT will in no way be affected by the aforementioned Russian Initiative,

Hereby

1. Welcomes the offer of the Russian Federation to establish on its territory a reserve of LEU to the IAEA for its Member States;
2. Authorizes the Director General to conclude and subsequently implement the Agreement with the Russian Federation to establish a reserve of LEU for supply to the IAEA for its Member States, attached as Attachment 1 to GOV/2009/76;
3. Approves the Model Agreement, attached as Attachment 2 to GOV/2009/76 as the standard text for agreements that are to be concluded with Member States for the supply of LEU by the IAEA from the reserve;
4. Authorizes the Director General to conclude and subsequently implement future Agreements with Member States for the supply of LEU by the IAEA when the Director General considers that the request of the Member State fulfils the eligibility criteria included in the Agreement with the Russian Federation, without the requirement for case-by-case authorization by the Board but with a requirement for the Director General to keep the Board informed of the progress of individual Agreements; and
5. Decides to remain seized of the matter with a view to considering, and eventually adopting at an early date, other complementary proposals to strengthen the assurances of supply of nuclear fuel available to interested Member States.