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Agreement between the Dominican Republic and the Agency for the Application of Safeguards in Connection with the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

**An agreement by Exchange of Letters with the Dominican Republic to
amend the Protocol to the Safeguards Agreement**

1. The text of the Exchange of Letters, constituting an agreement to amend the Protocol¹ to the Agreement between the Dominican Government and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in Connection with the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons², is reproduced in this document for the information of all Member States of the Agency.
2. The amendments agreed upon in the Exchange of Letters entered into force on 11 October 2006, the date on which the Agency received the Dominican Republic's affirmative reply.

¹ Referred to as the "Small Quantities Protocol".

² Reproduced in document INFCIRC/201.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
Secretariat of State for Foreign Relations
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Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, 29 September 2006

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 1 September 2006 notifying us of the modifications to the standard text of the small quantities protocol approved by the IAEA Board of Governors on 20 September 2005.

In this regard, I would inform you that my Government, aware of the importance of strengthening the safeguards system for the IAEA's verification work and its contribution to maintaining international peace and security, accepts the proposed modifications as described in the above-mentioned letter to amend the small quantities protocol to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons signed by the Dominican Republic, which entered into force on 11 October 1973.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest esteem.

(signed) Carlos Morales Troncoso
Secretary of State for Foreign Relations

Dr. Mohamed ElBaradei
Director General
International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)

America and the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement"), or

- (b) has taken the decision to construct or authorize construction of a facility, as defined in the definitions,

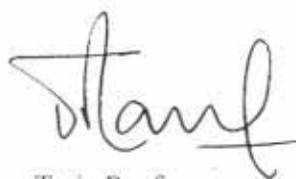
the implementation of the provisions in Part II of the Agreement shall be held in abeyance, with the exception of Articles 32-38, 40, 48, 49, 59, 61, 67, 68, 70, 72-76, 82, 84-90, 94 and 95.

- (2) The information to be reported pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) of Article 33 of the Agreement may be consolidated and submitted in an annual report; similarly, an annual report shall be submitted, if applicable, with respect to the import and export of nuclear material described in paragraph (c) of Article 33.
- (3) In order to enable the timely conclusion of the Subsidiary Arrangements provided for in Article 38 of the Agreement, Dominican Republic shall:
 - (a) notify the Agency sufficiently in advance of its having nuclear material in peaceful nuclear activities within its territory or under its jurisdiction or control anywhere in quantities that exceed the limits, as referred to in section (1) hereof, or
 - (b) notify the Agency as soon as the decision to construct or to authorize construction of a facility has been taken,

whichever occurs first.

If this proposal is acceptable to your Government, this letter and your Government's affirmative reply shall constitute an agreement between the Dominican Republic and the IAEA to amend the Small Quantities Protocol accordingly, which amendments shall enter into force on the date that the Agency receives that reply.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Tariq Rauf

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