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Verification and monitoring in the Islamic Republic of Iran in light of United Nations Security Council resolution 2231 (2015)

Report by the Director General

1. This report of the Director General to the Board of Governors and, in parallel, to the United Nations Security Council (Security Council), is on the Islamic Republic of Iran's (Iran's) implementation of its nuclear-related commitments under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA). It provides an update on developments since the Director General's previous reports.¹

2. In a letter dated 15 February 2021, Iran informed the Agency that Iran "will stop the implementation of voluntary transparency measures as envisaged in the JCPOA, as of February 23, 2021", as follows:

- “- Provisions of the Additional Protocol to the CSA;
- Modified Code 3.1 of the subsidiary arrangements to Iran's Safeguards Agreement;
- Use of modern technologies and long term presence of IAEA;
- Transparency measures related to uranium ore concentrate (UOC);
- Transparency measures related to enrichment;
- Access pursuant to provisions of the JCPOA;
- Monitoring and verification of the implementation of the voluntary measures;
- Transparency measures related to centrifuge component manufacturing.”

¹ GOV/2020/51, GOV/INF/2020/16, GOV/INF/2020/17, GOV/INF/2021/1, GOV/INF/2021/2, GOV/INF/2021/3, GOV/INF/2021/8, GOV/INF/2021/9, GOV/INF/2021/10 and GOV/INF/2021/11.

3. In the letter, Iran also indicated that “[f]or implementation of the above-mentioned measures, the Agency is expected to take necessary actions in due time” and should the Agency need further clarification, the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran “is ready to provide such clarification”.
4. In a letter dated 16 February 2021, the Director General reminded Iran that implementation of the modified Code 3.1 is a legal obligation for Iran under the Subsidiary Arrangements to its Safeguards Agreement which cannot be modified unilaterally and that there is no mechanism in the Safeguards Agreement for the suspension of implementation of provisions agreed to in the Subsidiary Arrangements.
5. In the same letter, given the serious impact of the above-mentioned measures being implemented, the Director General recalled his offer to travel to Iran in order to find a mutually agreeable solution for the Agency to continue essential verification activities.
6. The Director General’s consultations with Iran are ongoing.