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Text of communication dated 11 September 2007 received from the Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic to the Agency concerning restoration of voting rights

The text of a communication dated 11 September 2007 from the Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic, attaching a letter from the Secretary of State and the Chairman of the National Energy Commission of the Dominican Republic, addressed to the Director General, is reproduced herewith for the attention of the General Conference.

Translated from Spanish

Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic to the International
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The Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic to the international organizations in Vienna, Austria, presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and has the honour to transmit to it a copy of the letter signed by Mr. Arístides Fernández Zucco, Secretary of State and Chairman of the National Energy Commission, informing it of the decision of the Government of the Dominican Republic to sign separate payment agreements for a period of ten years, starting in 2008, to pay off its arrears in contributions to programme costs and its arrears in contributions to the Agency's Regular Budget, while requesting that its right to vote be restored at this year's regular session of the General Conference.

The original of the attached letter will be delivered personally by the Secretary during his forthcoming visit to Vienna for the Agency's General Conference.

The Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic takes this opportunity of reiterating to the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 11 September 2007

Secretariat
International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
Vienna

Santo Domingo, D. N.-
11 September 2007

Sir,

Please accept my compliments as I inform you that the Government of the Dominican Republic intends to pay off its arrears in contributions to technical cooperation programme costs and its arrears in contributions to the Agency's Regular Budget by concluding separate payment agreements for a period of ten years for each of these.

Taking into account the extent of the arrears, the Government will pay the sum of US \$25 577.00 annually under the payment plan for its arrears in contributions to programme costs.

Similarly, the Government will pay €81 000.00 annually, plus the amount owed for the current year, to pay off its arrears in contributions to the Regular Budget. Both payment agreements will begin in 2008.

With regard to the payment of national participation costs, I would inform you that the Government has already made these payments in full for the period 2006–2008 and will make every effort to continue making these payments in the future.

On the basis of this payment agreement, the Government of the Dominican Republic would like to request that its voting rights be restored at this year's regular session of the General Conference.

I take this opportunity of reiterating to you the assurances of my highest esteem and consideration.

Yours sincerely,

(signed) Arístides Fernández Zucco
Secretary of State
Chairman of the National Energy
Commission

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HE Dr. Mohamed ElBaradei
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