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STATEMENT ON FULL-SCOPE SAFEGUARDS ADOPTED BY THE ADHERENTS TO THE NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS GUIDELINES

The attached text of a "Statement on Full-Scope Safeguards", made by certain Member States, is being circulated for the information of Member States at the request of the Permanent Mission of Poland.

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"INFOCIRC/254/..."

MEETING OF ADHERENTS TO THE NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS GUIDELINES

WARSAW, MARCH 31 - APRIL 3, 1992

Statement on full scope safeguards

(1) At their meeting in Warsaw on April 3, 1992, the Adherents to the Nuclear Suppliers Guidelines,

- desiring to contribute to an effective non-proliferation regime, and to the widest possible implementation of the objectives of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons,
- seeking to promote international co-operation in the research, development and safe use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes,

have adopted the following policy on full scope safeguards as a condition of future nuclear supplies:

- (a) The transfer of nuclear facilities, equipment, components, material and technology as referred to in the export trigger list of the Guidelines for Nuclear Transfers (see INFCIRC/254), should not be authorised to a non-nuclear-weapon State unless that State has brought into force an agreement with the IAEA requiring the application of safeguards on all source and special fissionable material in its current and future peaceful nuclear activities.

- (b) Transfers covered by paragraph (a) to a non-nuclear-weapon State without such a safeguards agreement should only be authorised in exceptional cases when they are deemed essential for the safe operation of existing facilities and if safeguards are applied to those facilities. Suppliers should inform and, if appropriate, consult in the event that they intend to authorise or to deny such transfers.
 - (c) This policy does not apply to existing agreements and contracts; however, adherents to the Guidelines underline the importance of making all supplies in conformity with it.
 - (d) Additional conditions of supply may be applied as a matter of national policy.
- (2) The Adherents to the Nuclear Suppliers Guidelines appeal to all states which export nuclear facilities, equipment, components, material or technology to adopt the same policy.
- (3) The Adherents to the Nuclear Suppliers Guidelines invited the Chairman of the meeting to communicate this statement to the Director-General of the IAEA for information of member states.