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**COMMUNICATION RECEIVED FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF  
SWEDEN REGARDING THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION ON PRODUCTION, INVENTORIES AND INTERNATIONAL  
TRANSFERS OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL AND ON EXPORTS OF CERTAIN  
RELEVANT EQUIPMENT AND NON-NUCLEAR MATERIAL**

1. The Director General received a note verbale of 28 June 1996 from the Permanent Mission of Sweden regarding the provision of certain additional information on production, inventories and international transfers of nuclear material and on exports of certain relevant equipment and non-nuclear material.
2. In the light of the request expressed at the end of the note verbale, the text of the note verbale is annexed hereto.

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## NOTE VERBALE

The Permanent Mission of Sweden to the International Atomic Energy Agency presents its compliments to the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to refer to the discussion by the Board of Governors in June 1992 on the strengthening of Agency safeguards and to the Director General's letter of 7 July 1992 inviting the Government of Sweden to provide, on a voluntary basis, certain additional information on production, inventories and international transfers of nuclear material and on exports of certain relevant equipment and non-nuclear material, in order to assist the Agency in the discharge of its safeguards responsibilities.

The Government of Sweden also has the honour to refer to its note verbale of 17 February 1993 where the Government of Sweden, on a voluntary basis, undertook to provide the Agency with certain additional information on production, inventories and international transfers of nuclear material and on exports of certain relevant equipment and non-nuclear material with effect from 1 January 1993.

As Member of the European Union as of 1 January 1995 the Government of Sweden shares the resolve of its European Union partners and of the Board of Governors to take all appropriate measures which could lead to a more effective safeguards system and, after discussion with its European Union partners and the European Commission, has decided to assist the Agency by providing, on a regular basis, and with effect from 1 July 1996, the information set out below in conformity with procedures established between the Agency, the Member States of the European Union and the European Commission. The Government expresses its expectation that the Agency's other Member States will give similar support. This undertaking supersedes the undertaking of the note verbale of 17 February 1993 mentioned above.

### Nuclear Material

With respect to concentrates of uranium and thorium and any material further processed from them which has not reached a composition and purity suitable for fuel fabrication or for isotopic enrichment, the Government of Sweden will provide the following information:

- I. Notifications on all imports and exports for peaceful purposes to and from countries outside the European Union.

These will be provided to the Agency as quickly as possible after the transfer has been completed;

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II. Notifications at six-monthly intervals on total production of these materials of nuclear grade purity for civil purpose.

The Government of Sweden has arranged with the European Commission that both these notifications will be provided on the Government's behalf by the Commission, in conformity with European Union laws and procedures.

With respect to the Director General's request for additional information on imports, exports and inventories of other nuclear material, the Government of Sweden has decided to meet this request in the fullest manner possible. To this end, the Government of Sweden has arranged with the European Commission that the Commission will provide the Agency, in conformity with European Union laws and procedures and on the same timetable as other reports to the Agency, information which is collected under Regulation 3227/76 Euratom, but which is not required to be provided to the Agency under the terms of the Safeguards Agreement between the Government of Sweden, the Agency and Euratom (INFCIRC/193).

Nuclear Equipment and Non-Nuclear Material

With respect to the request for information on the exports of certain nuclear equipment and specialised non-nuclear material, the Government of Sweden will provide regular notifications to the Agency, within 60 days of the end of each quarter setting out, subject to national law and any confidentiality requirements that may apply, the items listed in Annex B to INFCIRC/254/Rev.1/Part 1/Mod.2 a license for whose export to a country outside the European Union has been approved, together with the country of destination, the name of the consignee, and the declared end-use. The Government of Sweden will also inform the governments of the countries of destination mentioned of the issues of those licenses.

The information to be provided will cover the period beginning on 1 July 1996.

The Government of Sweden would be grateful for the Director General's confirmation that:

- Information provided to the Agency in consequence of this offer will not be regarded as supplied under the terms of the Safeguards Agreement between the Government of Sweden, the Agency and Euratom;
- Information supplied in consequence of this offer will not therefore be subject to routine verification under the terms of the Safeguards Agreement between the Government of Sweden, the Agency and Euratom;
- Information supplied in consequence of this offer will be treated with the same confidentiality as information supplied under a Safeguards Agreement.

The Government of Sweden requests the Director General to circulate the text of this Note to all Member Governments for their information and as a demonstration of continuing

support by the Government of Sweden for the Agency's non-proliferation objectives and safeguards activities.

The Permanent Mission of Sweden avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, June 28, 1996