

Information Circular

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Communication Received from China Concerning its Policies Regarding the Management of Plutonium

1. The Secretariat has received a note verbale dated 28 August 2016 from the Permanent Mission of China to the IAEA in the enclosure of which the Government of China, in keeping with its commitment under the Guidelines for the Management of Plutonium (contained in INFCIRC/549¹ of 16 March 1998 and hereinafter referred to as the “Guidelines”), and in accordance with Annexes B and C of the Guidelines, has made available information on the annual figures for holdings of civil unirradiated plutonium as of 31 December 2015.

2. In light of the request expressed by the Government of China in its note verbale of 1 December 1997 concerning its policies regarding the management of plutonium (INFCIRC/549 of 16 March 1998), the note verbale of 28 August 2016 and its enclosure are attached for the information of all Member States.

¹ A modification to this document was issued on 17 August 2009 (INFCIRC/549/Mod.1).

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Note Verbal

The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the International Atomic Energy Agency presents its compliments to the Director General of the IAEA and has the honor to refer to its Verbal Note of 1 December 1997 enclosing Guidelines specifying the policies which the Government of the People's Republic of China has decided to apply to the management of Plutonium.

In accordance with China's commitment under the Guidelines, the Government of the People's Republic of China encloses with this Note, the annual figures for holdings of civil unirradiated Plutonium as of 31 December 2015.

The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the IAEA avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Director General of the IAEA the assurances of its highest consideration.



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**ANNUAL FIGURES FOR HOLDINGS
OF CIVIL UNIRRADIATED PLUTONIUM**

National Totals

as of 31 Dec. 2015
(kg Pu)

1. Unirradiated separated plutonium in product stores at reprocessing plants.	<u>25.4</u>	<u>(25.4)</u>
2. Unirradiated separated plutonium in the course of manufacture or fabrication and plutonium contained in unirradiated semi-fabricated or unfinished products at fuel or other fabricating plants or elsewhere.	<u>0</u>	<u>(0)</u>
3. Plutonium contained in unirradiated MOX fuel or other fabricated products at reactor sites or elsewhere.	<u>0</u>	<u>(0)</u>
4. Unirradiated separated plutonium held elsewhere.	<u>0</u>	<u>(0)</u>

Note:

(1) Plutonium included in 1-4 above belonging to foreign bodies.	<u>0</u>	<u>(0)</u>
(2) Plutonium in any of the forms in lines 1-4 above held in locations in other countries and therefore not included above.	<u>0</u>	<u>(0)</u>
(3) Plutonium included in lines 1-4 above which is in international shipment prior to its arrival in the recipient state.	<u>0</u>	<u>(0)</u>