

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 26 March 2007 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/549 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 its annual figures for holdings of civil unirradiated plutonium as of 31 December 2006.
2. In light of the request expressed by China in its Note Verbale of 1 December 1997 concerning its policies regarding the management of plutonium (INFCIRC/549 of 16 March 1998), the enclosure of the Note Verbale of 26 March 2007 is attached for the information of all Member States.

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Verbal Note

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 International Atomic Energy Agency 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 keeping 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 2006.

The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurance of its highest consideration.


Vienna, March 26, 2007

To: Dr. Mohammed ElBaradei
Director General of the
International Atomic Energy Agency

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

National Totals

as of 31 Dec. 2006

(Previous year's
figures in brackets)
Rounded to 100 Kg
plutonium with
quantities less than
50 Kg reported as such

1. Unirradiated separated plutonium in product stores at reprocessing plants.	<u>0</u>	(<u>0</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>)