COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED FROM MEMBERS REGARDING THE
EXPORT OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL AND OF CERTAIN
CATEGORIES OF EQUIPMENT AND OTHER MATERIAL

1. On 19 October 1978 the Director General received a letter dated 29 September 1978 from
the Resident Representative of Czechoslovakia to the Agency, relating to the commitments of this
Member under Article III, paragraph 2 of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear
Weapons[1].

2. In the light of the wish expressed at the end of this letter, its text is reproduced below.

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I have the honour to refer to Memorandum B enclosed with the letter of 5 May 1975 in which the
Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic informed you that it had decided to act in
accordance with certain procedures in relation to exports of nuclear material and of certain categories
of equipment and other material, and which you circulated to all Members of the Agency as
document INFCIRC/209/Add.4. The Government of Czechoslovak Socialist Republic has
instructed me to inform you that it is now its intention to act in accordance with that Memorandum
amended as follows:

a. Paragraph 2.1.6 to read “Zirconium tubes: Zirconium metal and alloys in the form of tubes or
assemblies of tubes, and in quantities exceeding 500 kg per year, especially designed or
prepared for use in a reactor as defined in paragraph 2.1.1 above and in which the relationship
of hafnium to zirconium is less than 1:500 parts by weight”.


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b. A new paragraph following paragraph 2.5.1 to read “2.6.1. Plants for the production of heavy water, deuterium and deuterium compounds and equipment especially designed or prepared therefore”.

c. A new sentence following the first sentence of paragraph F of the Annex to read

“Such items include:-

gaseous diffusion barriers
gaseous diffuser housings
gas centrifuge assemblies, corrosion resistant to UF₆
jet nozzle separation units
vortex separation units
large UF₆ corrosion-resistant axial or centrifugal compressors
special compressor seals for such compressors”.

I should be grateful if you would bring this information to the attention of all Members of the Agency.