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COMMUNICATION OF 22 MARCH 2002 FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN TO THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY REGARDING KAZAKHSTAN'S NUCLEAR POLICIES AND PRACTICES

- 1. The Director General has received a note verbale of 22 March 2002 from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan providing information about the nuclear policies and practices of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
- 2. In the light of the wish expressed in the note verbale, its text is attached hereto.



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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency and on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan has the honour to transmit this communication concerning Kazakhstan's nuclear policies and practices,

Kazakhstan adheres to major international nuclear non-proliferation agreements in this field - the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, the Comprehensive Test-Ban Treaty and the Convention on Physical Protection of Nuclear Materials. These agreements form Kazakhstan's national nuclear non-proliferation policies.

In June 26, 1994 Kazakhstan signed its Full-Scope Safeguards Agreement with IAEA. In 1993 Kazakhstan established the state system of accounting, control and physical protection of nuclear materials. In June 18, 1996 Kazakhstan adopted the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan On Export Control of Arms, Military Technology and Dual-Use Goods which further strengthened government control over transfers of strategic materials, including nuclear material.

In establishing its National Export Control System in 1996, Kazakhstan decided to respect and act in accordance with the provisions of INFCIRC/254/Part I and 2 as amended, with regard to any transfer of nuclear material, equipment and related technology, including nuclear related dual-use equipment, materials, software and related technology.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the International Organizations in Vienna requests the Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency to circulate this note to all IAEA Member Stares for their information and as evidence of Kazakhstan's support for the Agency's non-proliferation and safeguards activities.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest consideration.

To the Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency

Vienna March 22, 2002

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