

Information Circular

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Agreement between the Sultanate of Oman and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in Connection with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

An Agreement with the Sultanate of Oman to Amend the Protocol to the Safeguards Agreement

1. The text of the Agreement concluded between the Sultanate of Oman and the International Atomic Energy Agency to Amend the Protocol¹ to the Agreement between the Sultanate of Oman and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in Connection with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons² is reproduced in this document for the information of all Member States of the Agency. The Agreement was signed on 7 December 2016.

2. Pursuant to Article II of the Agreement, the Agreement entered into force on 6 December 2024, the date upon which the Agency received from the Sultanate of Oman written notification that Oman's statutory and constitutional requirements for entry into force had been met.

¹ Referred to as the "Small Quantities Protocol".

² Reproduced in document INFCIRC/691.

Agreement to Amend the Protocol to the Agreement between the Sultanate of Oman and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in Connection with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

The Sultanate of Oman (hereinafter referred to as "Oman") and the International Atomic Energy Agency (hereinafter referred to as the "Agency") desiring to amend the Protocol to the Agreement between the Sultanate of Oman and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in Connection with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons which entered into force on 5 September 2006;

Have agreed to amend paragraph I of the Protocol to read as follows:

- "I. (1) Until such time as Oman
 - (a) has, in peaceful nuclear activities within its territory or under its jurisdiction or control anywhere, nuclear material in quantities exceeding the limits stated, for the type of material in question, in Article 36 of the Agreement between Oman and the Agency for the Application of Safeguards in Connection with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement"), or
 - (b) has taken the decision to construct or authorize construction of a facility, as defined in the Definitions,

the implementation of the provisions of Part II of the Agreement shall be held in abeyance, with the exception of Articles 32–38, 40, 48, 49, 59, 61, 67, 68, 70, 72–76, 82, 84–90, 94 and 95.

- (2) The information to be reported pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) of Article 33 of the Agreement may be consolidated and submitted in an annual report; similarly, an annual report shall be submitted, if applicable, with respect to the import and export of nuclear material described in paragraph (c) of Article 33.
- (3) In order to enable the timely conclusion of the Subsidiary Arrangements provided for in Article 38 of the Agreement, Oman shall:
 - (a) notify the Agency sufficiently in advance of its having nuclear material in peaceful nuclear activities within its territory or under its jurisdiction or control anywhere in quantities that exceed the limits, as referred to in section (1) hereof, or
 - (b) notify the Agency as soon as the decision to construct or to authorize construction of a facility has been taken,

whichever occurs first."

II. This Agreement shall be signed by the representatives of Oman and the Agency and shall enter into force on the date upon which the Agency receives from Oman written notification that Oman's statutory and constitutional requirements for entry into force have been met.

DONE at Vienna on 7 December 2016, in duplicate, in the Arabic and English languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the SULTANATE OF OMAN:

For the INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY:

(signed)

(signed)

Badr Mohamed Zaher Al Hinai Ambassador Yukiya Amano Director General