Communication dated 9 February 2012 received from the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the Agency

The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 9 February 2012 from the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran transmitting a letter dated 17 January 2012 from the Resident Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the Chairman of the Board of Governors.

The Note Verbale and, as requested by the Permanent Mission, the letter are circulated herewith for information.
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The Permanent Mission of Islamic Republic of Iran to the International Atomic Energy Agency presents its compliments to the Agency’s Secretariat and has the honor to request the latter to circulate the letter dated 17 January, 2012 of H.E. Mr. Ali Asghar Soltanich Resident Representative of Islamic Republic of Iran to the IAEA, addressed to Chairman of the IAEA Board of Governors among the Member States and publish it as an INFCIRC document and make it available to the public through the IAEA website.

The Permanent Mission of Islamic Republic of Iran to the International Atomic Energy Agency avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Agency’s Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 9 February, 2012

Encl. as stated
To the
Office of External Relations and Policy Coordination
IAEA
Excellency,

On 11 January 2012 Mostafa Ahmadi Roshan, an Iranian nuclear scientist was targeted and immediately killed by a terrorist attack. The world, therefore, once again witnessed the ugly phenomenon of terrorism and the assassination of scientists and academicians in obvious violations of all humanitarian principles, the spirit of the UN Charter, the Statute of IAEA and international law. It is of utmost importance that urgent necessary measures should be taken in order to prevent the recurrence of such an incident in any part of the world particularly in developing countries whose scientists are considered the main foundation and valuable resources for sustainable development.

I hereby request you, in your capacity as the Chairman of the IAEA Board of Governors, while denouncing such a violent and heinous crime, to bring this matter to the due attention of the Members of the Board of Governors and to reflect it to the next Board of Governors so that concrete measures can be adopted accordingly by the IAEA Member States to impede this hideous phenomenon, i.e., terrorist attacks against scientists and academicians, specifically nuclear scientists. I am sure the international community is looking forward to seeing the IAEA Board of Governors’ concrete measures in this respect.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Ali Asghar Soltanieh
Ambassador and Resident Representative

To H.E. Mr. Gianni Ghisi
Chairman of the IAEA Board of Governors