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Communication received from the Resident Representative of Sweden to the Agency

1. The Director General has received a communication dated 18 October 2012 from the Resident Representative of Sweden to the Agency, regarding a press statement issued by the Swedish Radiation Safety Authority concerning the incident at the Ringhals and Forsmark nuclear power plants, which took place on 9 October 2012.
2. As requested by the Resident Representative of Sweden, the aforementioned communication is herewith circulated for information.



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18 October 2012

Vienna

H.E. Mr Yukiya Amano
Director General
International Atomic Energy Agency
IAEA

Dear Director General,

I have the honour to inform you that in the interest of transparency, Sweden would like to share with IAEA Member States the following information regarding the incident at the Ringhals and Forsmark nuclear power plants, which took place on 9 October. The Swedish Radiation Safety Authority has issued the following press statement:

Against the background of Greenpeace's unauthorised access at the Ringhals and Forsmark nuclear power plants, the Swedish Radiation Safety Authority has called the managing directors of all three nuclear power plants in Sweden to a meeting to be held on Friday 19 October. At this meeting, the managing directors are to present the measures they plan to take in order to prevent unauthorised access in the future. On Tuesday 9 October, around 60 Greenpeace activists gained unauthorised access to the sites of the Ringhals and Forsmark nuclear power plants. A few of the activists managed to remain undiscovered in the area for over 24 hours.

"It is serious that persons gained unauthorised access to the sites of the nuclear power plants and that they managed to remain in place at the facilities," says Director General Mats Persson of the Swedish Radiation Safety Authority. "We have now called the managing directors of all three national nuclear power plants to a meeting during which they are to account for the measures planned for the short and long term for the prevention of unauthorised access in the future."

Yours sincerely,

Nils Daag
Ambassador and Governor
Resident Representative of Sweden to the IAEA