Communication dated 22 December 2022 received from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the Agency

1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 22 December 2022 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the Agency.

2. As requested, the Note Verbale is herewith circulated for the information of all Member States.
The Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to communicate the following.

The Russian Federation continues to pose threat to nuclear safety and security of Ukrainian nuclear power plants through massive shelling of the territory of Ukraine, including its civilian and critical infrastructure.

On 19 December 2022 at 00:46 (EET), during another large-scale attack by the Russian Federation with the use of UAVs, a flight of a kamikaze drone of the Shahed type was recorded at a height of about 50 meters near the open switchgear VRP-750 kV over the site of the South Ukrainian NPP in the north-west direction.

The estimated distance to the nuclear installation was approximately 500-600 meters.

This is yet another evidence of the criminal and irresponsible activity of the Russian Federation that can cause catastrophic consequences for Ukraine and the European region.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine requests the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency to promptly circulate this Note Verbale as Information Circular to all IAEA Member States.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 22 December 2022

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