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1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 19 March 2022 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the Agency.
2. As requested, the Note Verbale is herewith circulated for the information of all Member States.

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The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to inform about the current situation of safety of Ukrainian nuclear facilities, located in the area of special military operation conducted in Ukraine.

In order to ensure control of the radiation situation on the territory of the Chernobyl and Zaporozhskaya NPPs, which are under the protection of units of the National Guard of the Russian Federation, radiation, chemical and biological observation posts with standard chemical, biological and radiological control facilities have been deployed. The radiation situation at these facilities is normal. It continues to be monitored by automatic radiation monitoring systems. The management of the two NPPs on a permanent basis sends information on the status of the radiation situation to the regulatory body of Ukraine (SNRIU).

On March 9, the high-voltage line 750 kV "Kievskaya" (Ukraine), which provides power supply to the Chernobyl nuclear power plant, was switched off. Plant facilities were promptly connected to emergency diesel generators. Russian armed forces replenished the stocks of diesel fuel at nuclear power plant (delivered 148 tons) in order to ensure uninterrupted power supply. Since March 14, to ensure the safe operation of nuclear power plant, electricity has been supplied from the territory of the Republic of Belarus. The power supply of the city of Slavutych is also carried out from the territory of the Republic of

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Belarus. At present, the situation with the power supply of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant is completely stabilized. The supply of electricity to the Chernobyl nuclear power plant from Ukraine has not yet been restored.

There is no intervention in the work of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant from the Russian side. No pressure, contrary to the statements of the SNRIU, is exerted on the station's personnel. All the necessary conditions have been created at the NPP for a comfortable stay of the plant employees, the food and rest regimes are observed. The delivery of basic necessities, including hygiene products and medicines, has been ensured. The moral and psychological, as well as the physical condition of the personnel of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant is satisfactory. The difficulties with the rotation of personnel were associated solely with the destructive position of the Ukrainian side, which created artificial obstacles to the rotation of employees.

There are two power units (2 and 4) in operation at the Zaporozhskaya NPP (ZNPP). The rotation of personnel is carried out in the regular mode. There are no problems with spare parts.

After the March 4 attack by the Ukrainian sabotage and reconnaissance group, a large number of explosive objects left by Ukrainian militants were found on the territory of the ZNPP. In order to neutralize them, from March 5 to March 15, a set of measures was taken to identify them and determine the degree of danger. Most of the ammunition that could be moved was taken out of the territory of the nuclear power plant and destroyed in the prescribed manner. The rest of ammunition (which were activated and classified belonging to the first category of danger) were eliminated at the places where they had been found. At the same time, a full range of measures was taken to ensure the safety of blasting operations. These measures did not pose danger to personnel and did not affect the operation of the NPP. The management of the Zaporozhskaya NPP was informed in a timely manner about the ongoing activities.

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation requests the Secretariat to circulate this information among all IAEA Member States as soon as possible.

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the IAEA Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, “19 March 2022