Communication dated 21 March 2022 received from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the Agency

1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 21 March 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 inform the following.

Since 24 February 2022, the Russian Federation continues its war of aggression against Ukraine. The armed forces of Russia target civilian infrastructure objects in Ukraine with missiles and bombs in breach of the norms of international law, particularly of humanitarian law. In addition, Russia continues committing acts of nuclear terrorism against Ukrainian nuclear facilities, its infrastructure and personnel.

The Russian armed forces unlawfully captured and to this date continue to hold hostage personnel of two Ukrainian nuclear power plants: the Chornobyl NPP and the Zaporizhzhya NPP.

Against this background, the Permanent Mission of Ukraine strongly encourages the Secretariat and Member States to disregard any information about the nuclear facilities of Ukraine or nuclear-related situation in Ukraine communicated by Russia as an aggressor state that is committing war crimes on the sovereign Ukrainian territory.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine requests the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency to circulate this Note Verbale as Information Circular to all IAEA Member States without delay.

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, 21 March 2022

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