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## Communication from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the Agency

- 1. On 15 February 2024, the Secretariat received a Note Verbale 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.

## ПОСТОЯННОЕ ПРЕДСТАВИТЕЛЬСТВО РОССИЙСКОЙ ФЕДЕРАЦИИ ПРИ МЕЖДУНАРОДНЫХ ОРГАНИЗАЦИЯХ В ВЕНЕ



## PERMANENT MISSION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN VIENNA

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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 actual situation at the Russian nuclear facility – Zaporozhskaya NPP (ZNPP) – as of February 13, 2024.

From February 6 to 12, 2024, 95 aerial vehicles launched by Ukraine with the aim of attacks and provocations against the ZNPP and the town of Energodar were suppressed.

The ZNPP's power unit  $\mathbb{N}_2$  1 is under scheduled maintenance;  $\mathbb{N}_2$  2,  $\mathbb{N}_2$  3,  $\mathbb{N}_2$  5 and  $\mathbb{N}_2$  6 – in a state of cold shutdown, power unit  $\mathbb{N}_2$  4 – in a state of hot shutdown.

The off-site power for the ZNPP own needs is supplied via high-voltage lines "Dneprovskaya" (750 kV) and "Ferrosplavnaya-1" (330 kV).

Stocks of diesel fuel required for the operation of the plant's emergency power supply systems are sufficient for 22 days of operation.

As of 07:00 on February 5, 2024, the water level in the supply channel of Zaporozhskaya TPP is 10.68 m, the water level in the cooling pond of ZNPP is 15.59 m.

Radiation background at the plant site and beyond does not exceed the established standards. Gamma background along the perimeter of the dry storage

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facility of spent nuclear fuel – 15 microR/hour, at the industrial site – 11 microR/hour.

Recruitment of personnel at the ZNPP continues. There are enough employees at the ZNPP to carry out its safe operation in the cold and hot shutdown modes, as well as to carry out scheduled maintenance work.

Federal state supervision in the field of the use of nuclear energy is carried out at the ZNPP site in the regime of constant supervision by the Russian regulatory authority – Rostechnadzor.

Within the reporting period authorized personnel of Rostechnadzor carried out control and supervision with regard to:

- compliance with the requirements of federal norms and regulations for nuclear facilities, regulations and operating instructions at workplaces of the operating personnel of the chemical workshop in the special building  $N_2$  1 and the reactor department of the ZNPP power unit  $N_2$  1 (jointly with the experts from the IAEA Secretariat);
- the timely and complete routine testing of the safety system of the third train of the ZNPP power unit  $N_2$  2 and the second train of the ZNPP power unit  $N_2$  3, and the compliance of the testing with regulatory and technical documentation;
- compliance with the requirements for accounting and control of nuclear material in material balance areas of all six ZNPP power units.

At the ZNPP, upon the IAEA Director General request and with the consent of the Russian Federation, there are four specialists from the IAEA Secretariat, who arrived at the plant during the regular rotation that took place on February 7, 2024. On that day the head of the Agency was also provided with the opportunity to visit the plant. R.Grossi was able to once again see for himself that, notwithstanding all the threats and provocations from the Kiev's regime, Russia ensures high level of nuclear safety and security at the ZNPP.

From February 4 to 9, 2024, the Agency experts walked twice with a radiation monitoring device across the industrial site; visited the safety systems rooms of the

reactor department, the central hall, the back-up diesel electric installations, the pump station and the turbine department of power unit  $N_2$  2, the special buildings  $N_2$  1 and  $N_2$  2, as well as the training demonstration centre.

The Russian Federation continues to make efforts aimed at improving the quality of life of the ZNPP personnel and the working conditions at the plant in the face of continuing threats from Ukraine.

On February 9, 2024, the ZNPP Director Y.Chernichuk met with veterans of nuclear industry in the town of Energodar.

Registration of compulsory and voluntary health insurance programmes, as well as provision of financial assistance to the ZNPP employees, continue. The plant employees continue to undergo periodic medical examinations in accordance with the approved schedule. As of February 12, 2024, 95 people underwent such examinations.

Data on the situation at the plant is available at ZNPP website (https://znpp.ru/), in the section "Current status of the Zaporozhskaya NPP" with daily updated information.

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, "15" February 2024