Communication from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the Agency

1. On 22 February 2024, the Secretariat received a Note Verbale 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.

On 21 February 2024 at 13:04 (Kyiv time), the 330 kV line "Ferosplavna-1", which supplies backup power to the site of the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant (ZNPP), was damaged. The damage to the power line occurred in the territory controlled by Ukraine 12 kilometres from the open switchgear at the ZNPP as a result of shelling by the Russian occupying forces.

As a result of the blatant violation by the Russian Federation of the fourth of the seven Indispensable Pillars, as well as of the first and the third of the five principles proclaimed by the IAEA Director General at the United Nations Security Council meeting on 30 May 2023, Ukraine's ZNPP remained with a single source of external power.

Repair crews from the Ukrainian power grid operator were unable to quickly repair the damage due to ongoing shelling and were forced to wait until Russia's shelling of nearby areas ended.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine requests the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency to promptly circulate this Note Verbale as an 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 Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 21 February 2024

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