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Communication from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the Agency

- 1. On 22 March 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.



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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 22 March 2024, the Ukrainian energy sector was subjected to missile and UAV attacks by the Russian Federation.

As a result of a massive combined attack, the main 750 kV «Dniprovska» power line, which provides power supply to the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant (ZNPP), was damaged.

The hydroelectric power station on the Dnipro River,

located upstream, was also affected.

After the night attack, it should be noted that the ZNPP currently has backup power only through the 330kV «Ferrosplavna-1» line, which Ukrainian power engineers recently restored after the Russian shelling.

Such actions by the Russian Federation have caused and continue to pose serious and direct threats to nuclear safety and security in Ukraine and far beyond its borders, and undermine worldwide established rules of nuclear safety culture.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine once again emphasises that these actions of the Russian Federation endanger the stability of not only the ZNPP, but also other Ukrainian nuclear power plants and can lead to unpredictable consequences.

The recent attack by the Russian Federation contradicts the five principles to help ensure safety and security at the ZNPP presented by the IAEA Director General on 30 May 2023 and the seven indispensable pillars for ensuring nuclear safety and security in armed conflicts.

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 2.16

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