

## Information Circular

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## Communication from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the Agency

- 1. On 2 May 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 2 May 2024, the Defence Intelligence of the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine released a video from a Russian combat UAV intercepted by electronic intelligence.

The UAV's flight path passes over the power units of the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant towards the Ukrainian-controlled cities of Nikopol and Marhanets, which are subject to constant attacks by Russia from the occupied nuclear facility.

Shielding by impunity, the Russian Federation deployed a training base for UAV operators at ZNPP and set up launch pads near the NPP's sixth reactor and near the training centre.

Russian UAVs are used to attack peaceful Ukrainian cities and Ukraine's energy infrastructure, which, among other things, supplies electricity to Zaporizhzhia NPP, as well as to intimidate IAEA representatives present at the nuclear facility.

As the IAEA Director General stated at the meeting of the United Nations Security Council on 15 April 2024: «We are getting dangerously close to a nuclear accident. We must not allow complacency to let a roll of the dice decide what happens tomorrow. We must do everything in our power today to minimize the risk of an accident».

Artillery fire near the ZNPP site, the launch of drones carrying explosives from its territory and the deployment of military and other unauthorised personnel completely undermine the '5 concrete principles' announced by the IAEA Director General at the United Nations Security Council meeting on 30 May 2023.

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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, 02 May 2024