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

1. On 7 June 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.
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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 request to circulate among all IAEA Member States as soon as possible the information on the actual situation at the Russian nuclear facility – Zaporozhskaya NPP (ZNPP).

Within the period from May 28 to June 3, 2024, 110 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 № 1 is under scheduled maintenance; all power units are in a state of cold shutdown.

As of 07:00 on June 3, 2024, the water level in the supply channel of Zaporozhskaya TPP is 10.58 m, the water level in the cooling pond of ZNPP is 15.21 m.

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 20 days of operation.

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 period from May 27 to June 3, 2024, authorized personnel of Rostechnadzor carried out seven control and supervision procedures at the ZNPP (four of them – jointly with the experts from the IAEA Secretariat).

At the ZNPP, upon the IAEA Director General R.Grossi’s 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 May 16, 2024.

From May 27 to May 31, 2024, the Agency experts visited the onshore pumping station of power unit № 2; rooms of safety systems pumps and fuel pool of reactor hall of power unit № 4; rooms of engineering equipment in the containment of power unit № 4; machine hall of power unit № 5 and the control room of power unit № 6. The specialists of the IAEA Secretariat were also present during the process of clean-up of heat exchanger in the pump room of fuel pool of power unit № 1, as well as during repair works of the oil cooling system of electric transformer of power unit № 2.

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 taking into account pertaining threats from Ukraine.

Registration of compulsory and voluntary health insurance programmes, as well as provision of financial assistance to the ZNPP employees, continue. The plant personnel undergoes periodic medical examinations in accordance with the approved
schedule. As of June 3, 2024, more than 1300 employees underwent such examinations. Rehabilitation and health-improving programmes for the ZNPP personnel and their families (distribution of vouchers to sanatorium-resorts) are also implemented. Since the beginning of the summer season, special attention was paid to the development of rest and health improvement capabilities for children of ZNPP employees. Work is underway to form summer shifts in children’s camps on the Black Sea coast of Russia with an extensive entertainment, sports and cultural programme.

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 avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the IAEA Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

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