The Additional Protocol



KEY FACTS



Approved by the IAEA Board of Governors in 1997, the Additional Protocol supplements a State's safeguards agreement



While concluded voluntarily, the Additional Protocol becomes legally binding once it enters into force



As of 1 January 2021, 136 States had an Additional Protocol in force

KEY CHARACTERISTICS

BROADER INFORMATION





BROADER ACCESS

A State's nuclear fuel cycle research and development activities





Any building on a nuclear site at short-notice (2-hour or 24-hour access)

All parts of a State's nuclear fuel cycle, from uranium mines to nuclear waste





Any State declared location related to the nuclear fuel cycle

Manufacturing and export of sensitive nuclear-related equipment and material





Any other locations for the collection of environmental samples



BROADER CONCLUSION

A Comprehensive Safeguards Agreement and an Additional Protocol need to be in force and implemented to enable the IAEA to conclude that all nuclear material in a State remained in peaceful activities