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Item 9 of the agenda
(GOV/2022/55)

The safety, security and safeguards implications of the situation in Ukraine

Resolution adopted on 15 September 2022 during the 1647th session

The Board of Governors,

- (a) Reaffirming the 2009 General Conference unanimous decision GC(53)/DEC/13, which recognised the importance attached to safety, security and physical protection of nuclear material and nuclear facilities, and noting General Conference resolutions GC(XXIX)/RES/444 and GC(XXXIV)/RES/533 regarding attacks against nuclear facilities devoted to peaceful purposes,
 - (b) Reaffirming resolution GOV/2022/17 entitled “The safety, security and safeguards implications of the situation in Ukraine” adopted by the Board of Governors on 3 March 2022,
 - (c) Noting the Director General’s statements since 24 February 2022 and his First Summary Report on Nuclear Safety, Security and Safeguards in Ukraine of 28 April; and welcoming the Director General’s expert mission to South Ukraine Nuclear Power Plant, the DG-led Agency expert mission to the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant, and the DG-led IAEA Support and Assistance Mission to Zaporizhzhya (ISAMZ), and
 - (d) Noting with concern the Director General’s Second Summary Report on Nuclear Safety, Security and Safeguards in Ukraine of 6 September on the situation at the Zaporizhzhya Nuclear Power Plant and the Director General’s Report on Nuclear Safety, Security and Safeguards in Ukraine (GOV/2022/52) of 9 September which refer to the continued presence of Russian military personnel, vehicles, and equipment and Rosatom personnel at the site and assesses that all of the Director General’s ‘seven indispensable pillars for nuclear safety and security’ have been compromised, and underscoring the Director General’s call for the establishment of a nuclear safety and security protection zone around the Zaporizhzhya Nuclear Power Plant,
1. Expresses grave concern that the Russian Federation has not heeded the call of the Board to immediately cease all actions against and at nuclear facilities in Ukraine;
 2. Deplores the Russian Federation’s persistent violent actions against nuclear facilities in Ukraine, including forcefully seizing of control of nuclear facilities and other violent actions in connection with

a number of nuclear facilities and other radioactive materials and the ongoing presence of Russian forces and Rosatom personnel at the Zaporizhzhya Nuclear Power Plant, which continue to pose serious and direct threats to the safety and security of these facilities and their civilian personnel, thereby significantly raising the risk of a nuclear accident or incident, which endangers the population of Ukraine, neighbouring States and the international community;

3. Calls upon the Russian Federation to immediately cease all actions against, and at, the Zaporizhzhya Nuclear Power Plant and any other nuclear facility in Ukraine, in order for the competent Ukrainian authorities to regain full control over all nuclear facilities within Ukraine's internationally recognized borders, including the Zaporizhzhya Nuclear Power Plant, to ensure their safe and secure operation, and in order for the Agency to fully and safely conduct its safeguards verification activities, in accordance with Ukraine's Comprehensive Safeguards Agreement entered into force pursuant to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and the Statute;
4. Supports the Director General's and Secretariat's ongoing efforts to address the nuclear safety, security and safeguards implications of the current situation in Ukraine, including through the ISAMZ and the continued physical presence of Agency technical experts at Zaporizhzhya Nuclear Power Plant;
5. Emphasizes the importance of nuclear safety and security regarding peaceful nuclear facilities and materials in all circumstances, including in armed conflict, and of the IAEA Director General's 'seven indispensable pillars on nuclear safety and security' derived from IAEA safety standards and nuclear security guidance;
6. Encourages Member States to respond to assistance requests from Ukraine, including through the provision of necessary equipment through the Agency or on a bilateral basis; and
7. Requests that the Director General continue to closely monitor the situation and report formally to the Board on these matters as long as required.