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Communication of 26 January 2004 from the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the International Atomic Energy Agency regarding China's Nuclear Policies and Practices

1. The Director General has received a Note Verbale dated 26 January 2004 from the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China regarding China's nuclear policies and practices.
2. In the light of the wish expressed in the penultimate paragraph, the Note Verbale is attached hereto.

中华人民共和国常驻维也纳联合国和其他国际组织代表团
PERMANENT MISSION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO THE
UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN VIENNA

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The Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China (PRC) to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Vienna presents his compliments to the Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and has the honour to state the following:

China attaches importance to the multilateral non-proliferation regime. In the nuclear field, China concluded with the IAEA the Agreement between PRC and the IAEA for the Application of Safeguards in China in 1988; it signed the Additional Protocol to the above Agreement in 1998 and completed its domestic legal procedures for the entry-into-force of the Additional Protocol in 2002. It also acceded to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Materials in 1989 and established a State System for the Accountancy and Control of Nuclear Materials. The Chinese Government has submitted its application for the membership of the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG). China will, once admitted into NSG, act in accordance with the NSG Guidelines (as contained in INFCIRC/254/Part 1 and Part 2, including Annexes, as amended) and duly exercise export control over nuclear and nuclear dual-use items.

The Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Vienna should be most grateful if the Director-General of the IAEA could have this Note circulated to all Member States of the IAEA.

The Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Vienna avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Director-General of the IAEA the assurances of his highest consideration.

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