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1. On 8 February 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 inform about the actual situation at the Russian nuclear facility – Zaporozhskaya NPP (ZNPP) – as of February 6, 2024.

From January 30 to February 5, 2024, 221 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; № 2, № 3, № 5 and № 6 – in a state of cold shutdown, power unit № 4 – in a state of hot shutdown.

The off-site power for the ZNPP own needs is supplied via high-voltage line “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 22 days of operation.

As of 07:00 on February 5, 2024, the water level in the supply channel of Zaporozhskaya TPP is 10.63 m, the water level in the cooling pond of ZNPP is 15.59 m.

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 (DSFSNF) – 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.

Since February 1, 2024, access to the ZNPP was blocked for those employees who hadn't signed contracts with JSC "Operating Organization of ZNPP" for 1,5 years since the plant got under jurisdiction of Russia.

Provocative acts by special service of Ukraine aimed against ZNPP personnel keep occurring. In particular, on January 23, 2024, a fake message allegedly from the plant's chief accountant was sent to the ZNPP employees. They were offered to "return unused advanced payments for duty travels, excessively payed wages, aliments, loans" and so on. In fact, it was an attempt to provoke the plant's employees to make financial transactions to the account of the Ukrainian organization JSC "Oschadbank" involved in financial operations of the Kiev regime. The objective was probably to further put moral and psychological pressure on the ZNPP personnel and potentially to recruit them in the interest of special services of Ukraine.

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 – Rostechndzor.

Within the reporting period authorized personnel of Rostechndzor carried out control and supervision with regard to:

- compliance with the requirements of federal norms and regulations for nuclear facilities, regulations and operating instructions at workplaces of the operating personnel of the reactor department of the ZNPP power unit № 1 (jointly with the experts from the IAEA Secretariat);

- the timely and complete routine testing of the first safety system trains of the ZNPPP power units № 4 and №6 and the compliance of the testing with regulatory and technical documentation;

- compliance with the requirements for physical protection of the ZNPP DSFSNF.

At the ZNPP, upon the IAEA Director General request and with the consent of the Russian Federation, there are four specialists from the IAEA Secretariat.

From January 28 to February 2, 2024, the Agency experts walked twice with a radiation monitoring device across the industrial site and examined the site of DSFSNF; visited the safety systems rooms of the reactor department and the central hall of power unit № 1, department of production and technological equipment, diesel fuel tanks, mechanical storage, as well as the turbine hall of power unit № 3, six back-up diesel power plants and three shore pump stations.

Russian Federation continues to make efforts aimed at improving the quality of life of the ZNPP personnel and the working conditions at the plant in the face of continuing threats from Ukraine.

A plan of events for preparation and celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the ZNPP was approved.

A strategic session on updating the programme of comprehensive social-economic development of the town of Energodar was held.

Registration of compulsory and voluntary health insurance programmes, as well as provision of financial assistance to the ZNPP employees, continue.

Starting from February 1, 2024, ZNPP employees undergo periodic medical examinations in accordance with the approved schedule.

On February 7, 2024, another rotation of the IAEA Secretariat experts at the ZNPP was successfully conducted. During the rotation, the plant was visited by the Agency's Director General R.Grossi. He was able to make sure that this Russian nuclear facility is operated safely. In line with existing "tradition", the visit was accompanied by provocative acts from Ukrainian side which refused to guarantee

cease-fire regime for the whole initially planned period of stay of R.Grossi and transportation of the IAEA delegation to and from the plant. It resulted in a significant reduction of time of the Director General's stay at the ZNPP. Thus, he couldn't visit all initially planned rooms and facilities at the plant.

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 requests the Secretariat to circulate this information among all IAEA Member States as soon as possible.

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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