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Communication from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the Agency

1. On 8 July 2024, the Secretariat received a Note Verbale from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine 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 Ukraine to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to communicate the following.

On 08 July 2024, the Russian forces carried out yet another massive missile attack against Ukrainian cities across the country. More than 40 missiles of various types hit cities of Kyiv, Dnipro, Kryvyi Rih, Sloviansk, and Kramatorsk, causing destruction and deaths among civilian population.

The National specialized children`s hospital OKHMATDYT became one of the deliberate targets of Russian missile strike. OKHMATDYT is the largest children`s hospital in Ukraine, which treats up to 20,000 children annually. It is well known for saving lives and restoring the health of thousands of children with severe illnesses, including oncology.

OKHMATDYT, being of utmost importance for the development of healthcare in Ukraine, regularly receives international funding and technical assistance. In particular, the hospital is a beneficiary under the IAEA TC Project UKR6014 "Strengthening Radiation Therapy and Medical Imaging in Ukraine (GOV/2022/60)" and the TC UKR6013 "Enhancing Cancer Diagnostics and Treatment".

Both IAEA TC projects are aimed at supporting radiotherapy in Ukraine, as well as reducing the mortality rate of children with cancer in Ukraine, improving their quality of life using modern methods of nuclear medicine and radiotherapy.

The OKHMATDYT premises are purely civilian in nature, and the deliberate targeting of this critical civilian infrastructure by the Russian Federation clearly illustrates Russian's violence and ongoing hostility towards the Ukrainian population.

Additional cynicism is fuelled by the fact that most of the victims of the Russian attack were sick children who were undergoing medical treatment and rehabilitation.

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These heinous attack by the Russian Federation on a children's medical institution is yet another manifestation of Russia's gross violation of its commitments and obligations under international humanitarian and human rights law, as well as complete disregard for international legal order.

With today's massive missile attack, the Russian Federation once again proves that it lives by its own barbaric rules and has no place in the civilized world. This international criminal, that is already undergoing several international arbitration proceedings, cannot be considered a reliable partner and must be held isolated.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine requests the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency to promptly circulate this Note Verbale as an Information Circular to all IAEA Member States.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest consideration. *u.k.*



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