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Letter dated 3 May 2024 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

I would like to bring to your attention the note verbale dated 3 May 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Organizations in Vienna addressed to the secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency regarding the situation at the Zaporozhskaya nuclear power plant as at 2 May 2024 (see annex).*

I would be grateful for the circulation of the present letter and its annex as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Vassily Nebenzia

^{*} Circulated in the languages of submission only.





Annex to the letter dated 3 May 2024 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

[Original: English and Russian]

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 request to circulate among all IAEA Member States as soon as possible the information on the actual situation at the Russian nuclear facility – Zaporozhskaya NPP (ZNPP) – as of May 2, 2024.

Within the period from April 22 to May 1, 2024, 304 aerial vehicles launched by Ukraine with the aim of attacks and provocations against the ZNPP and the town of Energodar were suppressed.

On April 30, 2024, Ukraine again attempted to attack the ZNPP Training center using a UAV. The attack was successfully repelled.

The ZNPP's power unit № 1 is under scheduled maintenance. All power units are in a state of cold shutdown.

As of 07:00 on May 2, 2024, the water level in the supply channel of Zaporozhskaya TPP is 10.55 m, the water level in the cooling pond of ZNPP is 15.4 m.

The off-site power for the ZNPP own needs is supplied via high-voltage lines "Dneprovskaya" (750 kV) and "Ferrosplavnaya-1" (330 kV).

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Stocks of diesel fuel required for the operation of the plant's emergency power supply systems are sufficient for 22 days of operation.

Radiation background at the plant site and beyond does not exceed the established standards. Gamma background along the perimeter of the dry storage facility of spent nuclear fuel – 14 microR/hour, at the industrial site – 10 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.

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 – Rostechnadzor. Within the period from April 22 to May 2, 2024, authorized personnel of Rostechnadzor carried out seven control and supervision procedures at the ZNPP (one of them – jointly with the experts from the Agency's Secretariat).

The protection and the security of the ZNPP are ensured by the forces of National Guard of the Russian Federation and Russian NBC Protection forces.

At the ZNPP, upon the IAEA Director General R.Grossi's request and with the consent of the Russian Federation, there are four specialists from the IAEA Secretariat, who arrived at the plant during the regular rotation that took place on April 16, 2024.

From 21 to 26 April, 2024, the Agency experts walked with a radiation monitoring device across the ZNPP site. They examined the onshore pumping station of power unit № 3 and "G" building of the Training center, reactor hall and the containment of power unit № 4, reactor hall (rooms of safety system pumps, cooling pumps of the spent fuel pool) of power units № 1 and № 5 and the turbine hall of power unit № 1.

On April 24, 2024, a working meeting was held at Rostechnadzor between the Head of the Service A.V.Trembitskiy and the ZNPP Director Y.A.Chernichuk.

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On April 24, 2024, a meeting took place between the Prime Minister of the Russian Federation M.V.Mishustin and the Director General of the State Atomic Energy Corporation "Rosatom" A.E.Likhachev. During the meeting the head of ROSATOM noted that more than 20 billion rubles were spent on the safety of the ZNPP and on the development of the town of Energodar and by 2026 it is planned to allocate additionally for this purpose more than 90 billion rubles.

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

Registration of compulsory and voluntary health insurance programmes, as well as provision of financial assistance to the ZNPP employees, continue. The plant personnel continue to undergo periodic medical examinations in accordance with the approved schedule. As of April 2, 2024, 993 employees underwent such examinations. Rehabilitation and health-improving programmes for the ZNPP personnel and their families, including children (distribution of vouchers to sanatorium-resort at child health camps), continues to be implemented.

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 avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the IAEA Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, " 3 " May 2024

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