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- 1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 26 May 2023 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 information about the actions of the Russian occupiers at the Ukrainian Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant on 22 May 2023.

On 22 May 2023, at 5:26 am (EET) the last operating Dniprovska 750 kV high-voltage power line, which feeds the temporarily occupied Zaporizhzhia NPP for its in-house needs, was damaged as a result of Russian missile attacks.

After the loss of external power supply, which is vitally necessary to ensure the operation of the nuclear fuel cooling pumps in the fuel pools and in the nuclear reactors of the power units, the ZNPP automatically switched to operation from diesel generators.

However, by the efforts of Ukrainian power engineers, at noon of the same day, the operation of the Dniprovska 750 kV power line was re-established and the Zaporizhzhia NPP switched to power from the Ukrainian power system.

This was the seventh time that Russian military actions have led to a "blackout" at the Zaporizhzhia NPP, which poses direct threats to nuclear safety at the plant and could lead to an accident with radiation consequences.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine requests the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency to promptly circulate this Note Verbale as 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 International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 26 May 2023

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