

# Information Circular

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## Communication from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the Agency

1. On 14 November 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.

The Russian Federation continues to pose significant threats to Ukraine's nuclear energy facilities, repeatedly violating airspace near Ukrainian Nuclear Power Plants.

In recent days, unauthorized drone incursions have been recorded near the South Ukraine Nuclear Power Plant (SUNPP), which could have dangerous consequences for the plant's operational stability and the safety of surrounding areas. Specific incidents include: on 3 November 2024, unidentified UAVs were detected at 06:23 and 06:56; on 6 November 2024, 13 unidentified UAVs were detected between 01:04 and 02:55; on 7 November 2024, unidentified UAVs were detected from 04:14 to 06:27 and again at 23:39.

These incidents have become frequent, placing continuous strain on SUNPP personnel and creating additional risks for safe plant management under constant stress. This situation constitutes a violation of the fourth of the Seven Indispensable Pillars for ensuring nuclear safety and security during an armed conflict, which states that "The operating staff must be able to fulfil their safety and security duties and have the capacity to make decisions free of undue pressure." Persistent intrusions of this nature compromise the ability of personnel to perform their duties effectively and safely, increasing the risk of human error and, as a consequence, a nuclear incident or accident.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine kindly 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.



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