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MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN MATTERS RELATING TO NUCLEAR SAFETY AND RADIOLOGICAL PROTECTION

(d) CONVENTION ON THE PHYSICAL PROTECTION OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL

Report by the Director General

Signature and ratification status

1. In operative paragraph 5 of resolution GC(XXXIV)/RES/531, the Conference requested the Director General to report to it at its thirty-fifth regular session on the signature and ratification status of the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material.^{1/} A table showing the signature and ratification status of the Convention as of 31 July 1991 is contained in the Attachment.

Central authorities and points of contact

2. In operative paragraph 4 of the same resolution, the General Conference also requested the Director General "to establish and periodically update a comprehensive list of the central authorities and points of contact referred to in Article 5.1 of the Convention, specifying the relevant competences of these national authorities".

^{1/} The text of the Convention is contained in document INFCIRC/274/Rev.1.

3. A list of central authorities and points of contact has been established and is being periodically updated by the Emergency Response Unit, Division of Nuclear Safety. As of 1 August, 26 Member States had provided the Unit with information on their central authorities and points of contact.

Training in physical protection

4. From 28 October to 14 November, the Agency and the United States Department of Energy will conduct the Tenth International Training Course on Physical Protection of Nuclear Facilities and Materials at Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The course will be attended by about 20 qualified students from developing countries and 15 qualified students from developed countries. The purpose of the course is to provide training in concepts and technology in the area of physical protection so that the participants can initiate and run programmes for the protection of nuclear facilities and materials against unauthorized activities in their own countries. The course is specifically structured for participants from developing countries with nuclear power programmes in operation or at an advanced stage of preparation.

Review of the Convention

5. Pursuant to Article 16.1 of the Convention,^{2/} the Director General of the Agency (the depositary of the Convention) is arranging to convene a conference to review the Convention; the conference will take place in Vienna during the week starting Monday, 29 June 1992. To facilitate preparations for the conference, a preparatory committee composed of representatives of States Parties to the Convention is to meet in Vienna from 8 to 11 October 1991.

^{2/} Article 16.1 of the Convention, which entered into force on 8 February 1987, provides that "[a] conference of States Parties shall be convened by the depositary five years after the entry into force of this Convention to review the implementation of the Convention and its adequacy as concerns the preamble, the whole of the operative part and the annexes in the light of the then prevailing situation."

CONVENTION ON THE PHYSICAL PROTECTION OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL

Signature, ratification, acceptance, approval or accession
by States or organizations as of 31 July 1991

<u>State/Organization</u>	<u>Date of Signature</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Means/date of deposit of expression of consent to be bound</u>	<u>Entry into Force</u>
Argentina*	28 Feb 1986	Vienna	ratified* 6 Apr 89	6 May 1989
Australia	22 Feb 1984	Vienna	ratified 22 Sep 87	22 Oct 1987
Austria	3 Mar 1980	Vienna	ratified 22 Dec 88	21 Jan 1989
Belgium(*)	13 Jun 1980	Vienna		
Brazil	15 May 1981	Vienna	ratified 17 Oct 85	8 Feb 1987
Bulgaria*	23 Jun 1981	Vienna	ratified* 10 Apr 84	8 Feb 1987
Canada	23 Sep 1980	Vienna	ratified 21 Mar 86	8 Feb 1987
China			acceded* 10 Jan 89	9 Feb 1989
Czechoslovakia*	14 Sep 1981	Vienna	ratified* <u>1/</u> 23 Apr 82	8 Feb 1987
Denmark(*)	13 Jun 1980	Vienna		
Dominican Republic	3 Mar 1980	New York		
Ecuador	26 Jun 1986	New York		
EURATOM*	13 Jun 1980	Vienna		
Finland	25 Jun 1981	Vienna	accepted 22 Sep 89	22 Oct 1989
France(*)*	13 Jun 1980	Vienna		
Germany, Federal Republic of(*) <u>2/</u>	13 Jun 1980	Vienna		
Greece	3 Mar 1980	Vienna		
Guatemala	12 Mar 1980	Vienna	ratified 23 Apr 85	8 Feb 1987
Haiti	9 Apr 1980	New York		
Hungary*	17 Jun 1980	Vienna	ratified* <u>1/</u> 4 May 84	8 Feb 1987
Indonesia	3 Jul 1986	Vienna	ratified* 5 Nov 86	8 Feb 1987
Ireland(*)	13 Jun 1980	Vienna		
Israel*	17 Jun 1983	Vienna		
Italy(*)*	13 Jun 1980	Vienna		
Japan			acceded 28 Oct 88	27 Nov 1988
Korea, Republic of*	29 Dec 1981	Vienna	ratified* 7 Apr 82	8 Feb 1987
Liechtenstein	13 Jan 1986	Vienna	ratified 25 Nov 86	8 Feb 1987
Luxembourg(*)	13 Jun 1980	Vienna		
Mexico			acceded 4 Apr 88	4 May 1988
Mongolia*	23 Jan 1986	New York	ratified* <u>1/</u> 28 May 86	8 Feb 1987
Morocco	25 Jul 1980	New York		

* Indicates that a reservation/declaration was deposited upon or following signature/ratification/acceptance/approval/accession (see INFCIRC/274/Rev.1/Add.2 and Add.2/Mod.1).

(*) signed as EURATOM member State.

1/ Indicates that reservation/declaration was subsequently withdrawn.

2/ On 5 February 1981, the Convention was ratified with a reservation by the German Democratic Republic (see INFCIRC/274/Rev.1/Add.2). By a Note dated 4 October 1990 (see INFCIRC/385/Add.1), the Federal Republic of Germany informed the Director General, inter alia, that the united Germany would determine its position with regard to the international treaties of the German Democratic Republic following consultations with the respective contracting parties and with the European Communities where the latter's competence was affected.

Netherlands(*)	13 Jun 1980	Vienna			
Niger	7 Jan 1985	Vienna			
Norway	26 Jan 1983	Vienna	ratified	15 Aug 85	8 Feb 1987
Panama	18 Mar 1980	Vienna			
Paraguay	21 May 1980	New York	ratified	6 Feb 85	8 Feb 1987
Philippines	19 May 1980	Vienna	ratified	22 Sep 81	8 Feb 1987
Poland*	6 Aug 1980	Vienna	ratified*	5 Oct 83	8 Feb 1987
Portugal	19 Sep 1984	Vienna			
Romania*	15 Jan 1981	Vienna			
South Africa*	18 May 1981	Vienna			
Spain(*)*	7 Apr 1986	Vienna			
Sweden	2 Jul 1980	Vienna	ratified	1 Aug 80	8 Feb 1987
Switzerland	9 Jan 1987	Vienna	ratified	9 Jan 87	8 Feb 1987
Turkey*	23 Aug 1983	Vienna	ratified*	27 Feb 85	8 Feb 1987
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics*	22 May 1980	Vienna	ratified*	25 May 83	8 Feb 1987
United Kingdom of Great Britian and Northern Ireland(*)	13 Jun 1980	Vienna			
United States of America	3 Mar 1980	New York/ Vienna	ratified	13 Dec 82	8 Feb 1987
Yugoslavia	15 Jul 1980	Vienna	ratified	14 May 86	8 Feb 1987

Note: The Convention entered into force on 8 February 1987, i.e. on the thirtieth day following the deposit of the twenty-first instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval with the Director General pursuant to Article 19, paragraph 1.

31 July 1991
Status: 46 signatories
27 parties