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Nuclear safety, security and safeguards in Ukraine

Resolution adopted on 7 March 2024 during the 1713th session

The Board of Governors,

- (a) Recalling the resolutions GOV/2022/17, GOV/2022/58, and GOV/2022/71 adopted by the Board of Governors on 3 March 2022, 15 September 2022, and 17 November 2022 respectively as well as resolution GC(67)/RES/16 adopted by the General Conference in September 2023,
 - (b) Noting with serious concern that the situation at the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant (ZNPP) remains “very precarious” and that six of the Director General’s ‘seven indispensable pillars for ensuring nuclear safety and security in an armed conflict’ have been “compromised either fully or partially” at the site,
 - (c) Deploing that it has been more than two years that Russian military and other unauthorized personnel have remained at the ZNPP,
 - (d) Further noting the importance of the Director General’s announcement on 30 May 2023 at the United Nations Security Council of five concrete principles for protecting the ZNPP and stressing that the implementation of these principles must be carried out in full respect of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine,
1. Expresses grave concern with the precarious nuclear safety and security situation at the ZNPP, especially the lack of adequate qualified staffing at the site, gaps in routine maintenance activities, the lack of reliable supply chains, the vulnerable status of water and off-site power supply, and the replanting of anti-personnel mines in a buffer zone between the facility’s internal and external fences;
 2. Reiterates its grave concern that the Russian Federation has not heeded the previous calls of the Board of Governors and General Conference contained in their respective resolutions to withdraw its military and other personnel from the ZNPP;

3. Calls for the urgent withdrawal of all unauthorized military and other unauthorized personnel from Ukraine's ZNPP and for the plant to be immediately returned to the full control of the competent Ukrainian authorities consistent with the existing licence issued by the State Nuclear Regulatory Inspectorate of Ukraine (SNRIU) to ensure its safe and secure operation and in order for the Agency to conduct safe, efficient, and effective safeguards implementation, in accordance with Ukraine's comprehensive safeguards agreement and additional protocol;
4. Supports the ongoing efforts of the Director General and Secretariat to address the nuclear safety, security, and safeguards implications of the current situation in Ukraine, including through the continued physical presence of Agency technical experts at the ZNPP and other nuclear facilities in Ukraine;
5. Underscores the need for the IAEA Support and Assistance Mission to Zaporizhzhia (ISAMZ) to be provided with timely and appropriate access to all areas important for nuclear safety and security at the ZNPP in order to allow the Agency to confirm that the five concrete principles are being observed at all times; and
6. Requests the Director General to continue to report comprehensively on the observance of the five concrete principles to help ensure nuclear safety and security at ZNPP as well as the Director General's 'seven indispensable pillars for ensuring nuclear safety and security'; and that he continue to closely monitor the situation and continue to report formally to the Board on these matters for as long as required.