

I also note that both the Government of Canada and the Government of Sweden are determined to continue to support the development of international safeguards relevant to reprocessing and the storage and use of plutonium, including an effective international plutonium storage scheme, and of other measures relevant to reprocessing and the storage and use of plutonium.

Against this background, I have the honour to set forth the guidelines referred to above as mutually agreed between Canada and Sweden. These are:

- (a) the party seeking agreement for reprocessing should have made and should continue to maintain an effective commitment to non-proliferation;
- (b) the party seeking agreement for reprocessing should provide a description of its current and planned nuclear energy programme including in particular a detailed description of the policy, legal and regulatory elements relevant to reprocessing and plutonium storage and use;
- (c) the nuclear material in facilities involved in reprocessing and the storage and use of plutonium should be subject to effective IAEA safeguards;
- (d) all nuclear material in facilities involved in reprocessing and subsequent storage and use activities, including related transport, should be subject to adequate physical protection measures;
- (e) mutually-satisfactory notification and material reporting procedures should be in place between the parties;
- (f) requests for agreement for reprocessing not forming an integral part of a nuclear energy programme should be considered in the light of specific requirements;
- (g) the party seeking consent for reprocessing should agree to periodic and timely consultations with the other party at which, inter alia, the information provided under guideline (b) above would be updated and significant changes in the nuclear energy programme would receive the fullest possible consideration;
- (h) the party giving agreement in advance for reprocessing on a long term basis should do so only when information provided on the nuclear energy programme of the other party has been received, when the undertakings, arrangements and other information called for by the guidelines are in place or have been received, and the parties have agreed that reprocessing and plutonium storage and use are an integral part of the described nuclear energy programme; and
- (i) the party giving agreement should have the right to revoke that agreement should the commitment of the other party to non-proliferation change or should the other party fail to honour its commitment to the periodic and timely consultations referred to in guideline (g).