

to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the NPT:

The [Treaty's] continuing major importance has been that it provides for legally binding commitments to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons and facilitates international co-operation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy. . . . The [Treaty], which has already made major contributions to non-proliferation, will continue to be a vital factor in strengthening international security and co-operation.

This brochure will explore some of the background to IAEA safeguards and outline how they work. It will also examine Canada's contributions in this area which have been and remain very significant.