

protection of nuclear material subject to this Agreement and shall, as a minimum, apply the levels set out in the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Materials to which Canada and the United Mexican States are contracting parties as well as any subsequent amendments thereto to which both Parties agree.

- (2) The Parties shall consult at the request of either Party concerning matters related to the physical protection of nuclear material, material, equipment and technology subject to this Agreement including those concerning physical protection during international transportation.

ARTICLE IX

- (1) The Parties shall consult at any time at the request of either Party to ensure the effective fulfilment of the obligations of this Agreement. The Agency may be invited to participate in such consultations upon the request of the Parties.
- (2) The appropriate governmental authorities shall establish administrative arrangements to facilitate the effective implementation of this Agreement and shall consult annually or at any other time at the request of either authority. Such consultations may take the form of an exchange of correspondence.
- (3) Each Party shall, upon the other Party's request, inform the other Party of the conclusions of the most recent report by the Agency on the Agency's verification activities in its territory relevant to the nuclear material subject to this Agreement.