

REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND WATER

080€-30 ¹⁴, April 2017, Sofia

Subject:

Investment project (IP) "Site Extension of the Intermediate Dry Spent Fuel Storage Facility (IDSFS) and continuing to build the MACSTOR 400 type modules"

Dear Ms. Gavrilescu,

With the present letter I would like to confirm the receipt of your letter N_2 1301/DC/23.02.2017 by which you notify us about the above-mentioned investment project. In this regard, I would like to inform you about the following:

After we got acquainted with the information in the Notification for the investment project "Site extension of a facility for intermediate storage of the dry spent fuel coming from the nuclear units of Cernavodă Nuclear Power Plant (NPP), and continuing to build the modules for storage of the dry spent fuel — MACSTOR 400 type modules", it was found that according to the classification of the International Atomic Energy Agency high level radioactive waste will be stored within the facility, which is waste that poses the highest degree of danger to the environment and population health. Moreover, Cernavodă NPP is geographically located at the delta of the Danube River which is near to the Black Sea and settlements on Bulgarian territory.

In view of the above-mentioned and also in compliance with Article 3, Paragraph 3 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) in a Transboundary Context, I express the willingness of the Republic of Bulgaria to take part in the EIA procedure for the "Site Extension of

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the Intermediate Dry Spent Fuel Storage Facility (IDSFS) and continuing to build the MACSTOR 400 type modules".

I take this opportunity to express my highest consideration and willingness for fruitful cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Irina Kostova Minister of Environment and Water