

Comment by Belarus to the EU proposal on the draft decision VIII/4c on compliance by Belarus with its obligations under the Convention in respect of the Belarusian nuclear power plant in Ostrovets

We would like to thank the Secretariat for disseminating on 26 August the EU proposals on the initial draft decision on Belarus' compliance.

Still we are not clear about the reason behind the EU proposal.

We note that the proposed wording goes far beyond standard practice and logic for the preparing and drafting of the decisions on compliance.

For this reason we regard the proposal as a repeated attempt to apply an exclusive approach in respect to Belarus on the Convention forum. Such an approach cannot be accepted.

We strongly believe that if there is an intention to change the standard format of the decisions on compliance in that case the same approach shall be applied likewise in respect to all the Parties to ensure consistency and credibility in the work of the Implementation Committee.