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### Communication dated 20 July 2006 received from the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the Agency

1. The Secretariat has received a Note Verbale dated 20 July 2006 from the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran, attaching a statement by H.E. Dr. Larijani, Secretary of the Supreme National Security Council of Iran.
2. The Note Verbale and, in accordance with the request of the Permanent Mission, its attachment are reproduced herein for the information of Member States.



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The Permanent Mission of Islamic Republic of Iran to the International Atomic Energy Agency presents its compliments to the Agency's Secretariat and has the honour to request the attached statement by H.E. Dr. Larijani, the Secretary of Supreme National Security Council of Islamic Republic of Iran on the Iran nuclear issues dated 20 July 2006 to be circulated among the Member States and publish as an official INFCIRC document and make it available to the public through the IAEA website.

The Permanent Mission of Islamic Republic of Iran to the International Atomic Energy Agency avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Agency's Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.



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**In the Name of God, the Compassionate the Merciful**

**The full text of the statement issued by H. E. Dr. Ali Larijani, the Secretary of the Iranian Supreme National Security Council on 20 July 2006 on Iran's peaceful nuclear technology program**

- In accordance with its adopted program to generate 20,000 megawatts of nuclear electricity in the course of the coming 20 years, the Islamic Republic of Iran plans to produce a portion of the required nuclear fuel inside the country and endeavors to procure the needed fuel.
- The Islamic Republic of Iran is committed to its obligations under the NPT, and all activities, undertaken thus far, have been in line with its recognized and inalienable rights under the Treaty pertaining to peaceful use of nuclear technology. Iran has never demanded any thing beyond its rights, enshrined in the NPT and enjoyed by all other member-states.
- The Islamic Republic of Iran, in the course of the past three years, has fully cooperated with the IAEA under the Comprehensive Safeguards Agreement as well as through voluntary implementation of the Additional Protocol and even beyond. Accordingly, Iran enabled the IAEA inspectors to carry out around 2000 person-days of inspections and over 53 complementary accesses to different sites across the country. Moreover, all activities and nuclear installations in Iran have been under IAEA safeguards and monitored by the Agency.
- According to various reports of the IAEA, there are no undeclared nuclear materials in Iran and all of Iran's nuclear materials have been reported to the IAEA and accounted for. Moreover, the IAEA has explicitly declared that there has been no diversion of Iranian nuclear activities to nuclear weapons.
- As the IAEA Director-General has indicated, the confirmation by the Agency of non-existence of undeclared nuclear materials and activities in any country is a time-consuming process, which is not specific to Iran, as currently 46 countries, including 14 Western European countries, are in the same situation.
- What is presented as the concern of the international community over Iran's peaceful nuclear program, only pertains to a few countries. The statements in support of Iran's peaceful nuclear program, including the statement issued by 116 Foreign Ministers of the Non-Aligned Movement in Malaysia, the statement by 57 Foreign Ministers of OIC members issued in Azerbaijan and the statement by the D-8, bear testimony to the opposition of an overwhelming majority of the international community to the discriminatory approach leading to serious concern over the setting of an illegitimate precedent to deprive a majority of States from acquiring peaceful nuclear technologies.

On the basis of the above:

1- The Islamic Republic of Iran is fully committed to finding a negotiated solution through diplomacy and is ready for result-oriented negotiations within a mutually acceptable timeframe.

2- From the outset of receiving the proposed package, the Islamic Republic of Iran welcomed the initiative and began to consider it positively and in earnest in expert committees set up for this purpose – a work that is in progress. It is normal that thorough consideration of such a proposal requires reasonable time, and given the seriousness of the Islamic Republic of Iran in considering the package in the said committees, 22 August 2006 has been set as the date for announcing view points.

3- It came as a surprise to the Islamic Republic of Iran that following the first round of preliminary negotiations with Mr. Solana in Brussels, and while nothing extraordinary had occurred, there are signs indicating that some parties, specifically the United States, through changing the path of negotiations to the path of Security Council attempt to obstruct diplomacy and negotiation, while the path of negotiations with Europe is the right and promising one that can produce results.

4- If the path of confrontation is chosen instead of the path of negotiations and if any measure is taken to limit the inalienable rights of the Iranian nation, then there will remain no option for the Islamic Republic of Iran but to reconsider its nuclear policies. It must be underlined that Iran does not seek tension and confrontation, but if others create obstacles and a tense environment, all will be faced with difficulties.

5-The Islamic Republic of Iran believes that the path of negotiation, dialogue and understanding is the most reasonable path to resolve issues and is determined and serious in pursuing this path and emphasizes it. We invite the other side to come back to the negotiating table.