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**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND
and
NORWAY**

**Agreement on early notification of a nuclear accident and
exchange of information concerning the operation and
management of nuclear facilities. Signed at London on
24 November 1987**

Authentic texts: English and Norwegian.

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**ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE
ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD
et
NORVÈGE**

**Accord sur la notification rapide d'un accident nucléaire et
l'échange de renseignements relatifs à l'exploitation et à
la gestion de centrales nucléaires. Signé à Londres le
24 novembre 1987**

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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF NORWAY ON EARLY NOTIFICATION OF A NUCLEAR ACCIDENT AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING THE OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF NUCLEAR FACILITIES

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway,

Referring to the Convention on Early Notification of a Nuclear Accident adopted at Vienna on 26 September 1986² (hereinafter referred to as “the Convention”) and, in particular, to Article 9 of that Convention;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

This Agreement shall apply to facilities and activities (hereinafter referred to respectively as “a nuclear facility” and “a nuclear activity”) specified in Article 1.2 of the Convention.

EARLY NOTIFICATION

Article 2

If there is an accident involving a nuclear facility or activity in the territory of one Party from which a release of radioactive material results and if such a release could have an effect, outside the first Party's territory, of radiological safety significance for the other Party, the Party in whose territory the accident has occurred shall forthwith notify the other Party directly. It shall also provide such available information as is relevant to minimising the radiological consequences, as is defined in Article 5.1 of the Convention.

Article 3

The information referred to in Article 2 of the Agreement shall be supplemented as the situation develops with appropriate information for so long as the competent authorities of the Parties agree is necessary.

Article 4

The Party providing information under Articles 2 and 3 of this Agreement shall as far as is reasonably practicable respond promptly to a request from the other Party for further information or for consultation.

Article 5

Both Parties are prepared to notify the other as soon as possible of a nuclear accident falling within the scope of Article 3 of the Convention if it is the assessment

¹ Came into force on 7 January 1988, the day after the receipt of the last of the notifications by which the Parties had informed each other of the completion of their internal requirements, in accordance with article 12 (1).

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1439, p. 275.