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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Report on the implementation of the obligation under the Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management
	- Sixth Review Meeting of Contracting Parties

1. The European Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) and its Member States are Contracting Parties to the Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management.
2. The Report on the implementation of the obligation under the Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management is submitted in compliance with Articles 30 and 32 of the Joint Convention, in view of the forthcoming Sixth Review Meeting of the Contracting Parties, to be held in Vienna, in May 2018.
3. The present Report indicates in its respective chapters several developments and initiatives taken by Euratom since the last Review Meeting at EU and at international level. In addition, the Report sets out the conclusions drawn from the discussion of the Euratom reporting at the last Review Meeting of Contracting Parties and outlines positive features in recent Community actions and practices.

4. Euratom's report, drawn up by the Commission, is found in ADD 1 to this document¹. The report was presented and discussed at the Atomic Questions Working Party, and agreed by all Member States in silence procedure.
5. The report was prepared in consultation with the Member States, in the spirit of the agreed "Guidelines on cooperation in the framework of international conventions to which the European Atomic Energy Community and its Member States are Parties" (doc. 12807/15).
6. The Delegations are requested to take note of the Report as set out in doc. 12478/17 ADD 1.

¹ This report is in the process of being formally adopted by the Commission.