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STATEMENT BY LUXEMBOURG

Luxembourg recognises the importance of the ITER project but nevertheless wishes to reiterate its critical attitude towards nuclear research. Indeed, the Luxembourg Government is looking into the possibility of terminating its financial contribution to ITER and stresses that European funds for research should in future be geared more towards renewable energy. As the amended proposal for a Council Decision establishing the European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy does not herald such a shift, Luxembourg cannot subscribe to it and is therefore voting against it.