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The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) presents its compliments to IAEA's Member States and has the honour to draw their attention to the following draft text intended for publication in the IAEA Nuclear Security Series:

## Nuclear Security Threat Assessment, Design Basis Threats and Representative Threat Statements (NST058)

Member States and their experts are hereby provided with an opportunity to review and evaluate this draft text, which is available online at:

http://www-ns.iaea.org/security/nuclear security series forthcoming.asp

A hard copy of the draft text will be sent out upon request.

Any proposed changes to this draft text resulting from the review by Member States will be taken into account in its finalization.

Member States are kindly requested to provide comments on the draft text following the guidance given in the attached Explanatory Note.

The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency avails itself of this opportunity to assure the IAEA's Member States of its highest consideration.



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Enclosure: Explanatory Note

Form for Comments

## **Explanatory Note**

## Nuclear Security Threat Assessment, Design Basis Threats and Representative Threat Statements (NST058)

The draft text for review, entitled *Nuclear Security Threat Assessment, Design Basis Threats and Representative Threat Statements*, was prepared as a draft Implementing Guide to be issued in the IAEA Nuclear Security Series and has already been reviewed through consultants' meetings and a technical meeting, as well as by the Nuclear Security Guidance Committee (NSGC), the Emergency Preparedness and Response Standards Committee (EPReSC) and the Nuclear Safety Standards Committee (NUSSC).

The objective of this draft text, as accepted by the NSGC, is to provide a detailed step-by-step methodology for performing a nuclear security threat assessment and for the development, use and maintenance of design basis threats and representative threat statements.

Comments are requested in relation to:

- Relevance and usefulness Are the stated objectives appropriate, and are they met by the draft text?
- Scope and completeness Is the stated scope appropriate, and is it adequately covered by the draft text?
- Quality and clarity Does the guidance in the draft text represent the current consensus among specialists in the field, and is it expressed clearly and coherently?
- Appropriateness of guidance on safety–security interfaces Are the paragraphs of the draft text that address interfaces between safety and nuclear security appropriate?

Comments of an editorial nature will be considered; however, it should be noted that the draft text will be comprehensively edited by the IAEA Secretariat.

Any comments should be made in English, should refer to the relevant paragraph number in the draft text being reviewed, and should propose alternative text where appropriate. Please use the attached Form for Comments to record all comments.

The responsible IAEA officer is Mr Kristof Horvath of the Department of Nuclear Safety and Security, who may be contacted for further information in connection with this subject by telephone at: +43 1 2600 24677 or via email at: K.Horvath@iaea.org.

Any comments should be sent through the established official channels to the responsible IAEA officer by 30 November 2018.

## Form for Comments Nuclear Security Threat Assessment, Design Basis Threats and Representative Threat Statements (NST058)

COMMENTS BY REVIEWER			RESOLUTION					
Reviewer: Page of Country/Organization: Date:								
Comment No.	Para/Line No.	Proposed new text	Reason	Accepted	Accepted, but modified as follows	Rejected	Reason for modification/rejection	