

# PROTOCOL DECISION

## on Order and Procedures of Removal of Ionizing Radiation Sources (IRS) from the Territory of Pridnestrovie

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Recognizing the need for strict compliance with the rules of use, storage, transportation and utilization of IRS;

Being desirous to ensure security of IRS storage and non-admission of radiation of the population and environment pollution;

Given the interest in cooperation and readiness of the Moldovan side to render necessary assistance in working with IRS;

Political Representatives in the Pridnestrovian settlement have agreed upon the following order and procedures:

1. Relevant structures of Pridnestrovie shall provide the **National Agency for Regulation of Nuclear and Radiological Activities** (NARNRA of the RM) with information on IRS elements for planning joint activities in relation to IRS.

2. Based on addresses of relevant structures of Pridnestrovie, NARNRA of the RM will make decisions on issuance of required permissions for transportation, storage and subsequent utilization of IRS with observance of the respective safety requirements.

3. In order to analyze condition of the IRS and make appropriate decisions, representatives of NARNRA of the RM in conjunction with representatives of relevant structures of Pridnestrovie will be able to carry out preliminary physical examination of elements specified in address submitted by the Pridnestrovian side and respective technical documentation.

4. Political Representatives in the Pridnestrovian settlement shall be responsible for coordination of IRS transportation issues and provision of necessary safety measures.

5. Political Representatives in the Pridnestrovian settlement will coordinate actions of relevant structures of Kishinev and Tiraspol on approval of a date, route and safety aspects for IRS transportation.

6. NARNRA of the RM will provide special carriers for transporting IRS and ensure actual transportation from IRS location to the point of their storage.

7. Political Representatives shall address the OSCE with a request to render assistance in removal of IRS and escort the given procedure.

8. Security measures during transportation will be ensured by relevant structures of the Sides according to the area of their responsibility.

9. Procedure of IRS removal and transportation through the Security Zone will be agreed in advance with the Joint Control Commission (JCC) and Joint Military Command (JMC) no later than seven days before an expected date of removal.

10. Upon completion of the IRS transportation, NARNRA of the RM shall provide supporting documents on acceptance of IRS for storage or utilization.

11. In order to cover expenditures for transportation, storage and subsequent disposal of IRS, funding from external sources can be involved.

12. Based on earlier presented documents and guided by the above indicated procedures, the Sides shall in the shortest time possible accommodate organizational aspects and ensure removal of IRS from Sugar and Alcohol Plant in Rybnitsa.

### **Political Representatives in the Pridnestrovian Settlement**

**For the Republic of Moldova**

**For Pridnestrovia**