



On Physical Protection of Nuclear Installations, Nuclear Materials, Radioactive Waste, Other Sources of Ionizing Radiation (Abstract text on October 19, 2000)

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The Law of Ukraine “On Physical Protection of Nuclear Installations, Nuclear Materials, Radioactive Waste, Other Sources of Ionizing Radiation” is a component part of nuclear legislation of Ukraine and determines basic principles of activity of natural persons and legal entities as regards to physical protection of nuclear installations, nuclear materials, radioactive waste and other sources of ionizing radiation.

The purpose of physical protection of nuclear installations, nuclear materials, radioactive waste and other sources of ionizing radiation are as follows:

- creation of conditions by the state, which make impossible acts of nuclear terrorism, stealing of nuclear materials, radioactive waste and other sources of ionizing radiation, as well as strengthen the regime of non-proliferation of nuclear weapons;
- grant of necessary informational and technical assistance to the bodies that carry out operative and search measures with the purpose of return of vanished nuclear materials and other sources of ionizing radiation.

This Law regulates relations between the state in the person of its respective bodies, bodies of local self-government, legal entities and natural persons that perform measures of physical protection.

The purposes of physical protection of particular nuclear installation, object designed for handling radioactive wastes, other sources of ionizing radiation shall be deemed achieved provided that basic conditions of physical protection according to this Law have been performed and personal responsibility for functioning of the systems of physical protection of nuclear installations, nuclear materials, radioactive waste and other sources of ionizing radiation is ensured.

The purposes of physical protection of particular transportation shall be deemed achieved provided that according to the legislation basic conditions of physical protection have been performed and personal responsibility for the protection of vehicle and the state of equipment in the rolling-stock is ensured.

Conditions and rules of carrying out activity in the sphere of utilization of nuclear power and radiation security are determined taking into account requirements of physical protection envisaged by this Law and other normative legal acts.

Verification of cooperation plans elaborated in the event of commitment of terrorist acts is conducted by holding appropriate joint exercises in the term agreed with all bodies of state power and legal entities mentioned in these plans.

The Law sets that expenditures for physical protection are financed according to the top-priority procedure. Budget funds for financing of physical protection are envisaged by a separate line in the estimates for maintenance of each budget institution and organization that performs activity on physical protection.

Violation of the legislation of Ukraine on physical protection shall cause criminal responsibility in compliance with law.

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