The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of Member States and has the honour to draw their attention to a Seminar on Nuclear Science and Technology for Diplomats to be held from 3 to 5 February 2009 at the IAEA Headquarters, IAEA Boardroom C04, in Vienna, Austria.

The Seminar is intended to provide participants with an overview and general understanding of nuclear principles and applications (e.g. basic concepts of nuclear physics, nuclear fuel cycle, applications of radioisotopes and nuclear techniques, nuclear safety, nuclear security and international safeguards: verification techniques). It will comprise formal lectures, video presentations and an exhibit of relevant equipment and techniques. All lecturers will be staff members from the Secretariat of the IAEA.

The Seminar is open to accredited members of the diplomatic corps from the Permanent Missions of the Member States to the IAEA. It will be conducted in English.

The Permanent Missions are invited to nominate participants for the seminar, and to address nominations to the Secretariat of the IAEA, for the attention of Mr Ronald Sturm, Senior External Relations Officer, Technology and Safety Policy Coordination, Interagency Affairs and Protocol Section, no later than 23 January 2009. Ms Lody Wazir is the focal point for queries regarding administrative matters, Ms Eva Fritz, Conference Services Section, will be the focal point regarding registration.

The Secretariat of the IAEA avails itself of this opportunity of assuring the Permanent Missions of Member States of its highest consideration.

Enclosures: Draft Agenda
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