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| **To:** | WANO Governing Board |
| **From:** | Ingemar Engkvist – WANO CEO |
| **Date:** | 27 February 2022 |
| **Subject:** | Situation in Ukraine |

Dear WANO Governors,

I know you are all observing with great concern the situation in the Ukraine. Please let me assure you that WANO is carefully monitoring the situation. As has been a key WANO principle since its founding, we are operating as a One WANO global organization, above and independent of the geo-politics of the situation. Our focus is on our mission, to help ensure the safe operation of all commercial nuclear facilities worldwide.

WANO’s Executive Leadership Team is in regular communication as the situation in Ukraine evolves. We are coordinating with and supporting WANO Moscow Centre, as Ukrainian nuclear plants are primarily affiliated with that regional centre. Moscow Centre has site representatives stationed at each plant in Ukraine and is in regular contact with those stations. As of mid-day, Moscow time on Sunday, 27 February, below is the status of each plant. Please recognize that this is an evolving situation, and the status can change at any time.

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| **Site** | **In operation** | **Shut down** | **Reason** |
| Khmelnytskyi | Unit 1 (84%) | Unit 2 | Planned outage |
| Rivne | Units 2,3,4 | Unit 1 | Planned outage |
| South Ukraine | Units 1,2 | Unit 3 | Shut down to ensure operational safety as was officially declared |
| Zaporizhzhia | Unit 2 – 96 %  Unit 3 – 83 %  Unit 4 – 98 % | Unit 1  Unit 5 (9%)  Unit 6 (9%) | Unit 1 - Planned outage from 01:30 27.02.2022. Estimated duration 128 days  Units 5&6 - Put on standby as per grid operator’s request |
| Total | 9 | 6 |  |

We also understand that the safety systems at the Chernobyl facility continue to function normally. We remind you that there are no operating reactors at Chernobyl, but there is the confinement facility that contains radioactive material from the 1986 accident, as well as spent fuel from previous years of plant operation.

WANO will continue to evaluate developments in the Ukraine. We are in close contact with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), which is an independent, intergovernmental organization in the United Nations family serving as the global focal point for interaction with its member states. IAEA has issued statements about the Ukraine situation, which you can find [on the IAEA website](https://www.iaea.org/).

WANO is also in contact with seven other nuclear industry organizations. Each has its own mission and stakeholders. We all share in the goal of a safe and successful nuclear industry. It is important that we understand each organization’s activities and coordinate our efforts to the extent possible.

WANO has posted a brief message on the WANO member and public websites, acknowledging that we are monitoring the situation in Ukraine. We are considering a news release from Moscow Centre next week. We will inform you if we proceed with that kind of communication.

WANO will continue to work closely as a One WANO world organization in addressing this situation. Should there be further developments that merit your attention, we will keep you informed. As always, please feel free to contact your regional centre director, or send me a message, should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ingemar Engkvist