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Dear Sir,

Last 20 July, the Spanish newspaper "El Punt" published an article informing that the IAEA had confirmed the conclusion of the Consejo de Seguridad Nuclear (CSN) report on the classification of the August 2004 event at Vandellos 2. Today, the CSN has published a press release referring to a meeting held by the INES Advisory Committee 6 to 8 July. According to the CSN, the Committee agreed on a letter to be sent to Greenpeace.

We fully regret that the response to a subject raised by our organisation has been made available to others before than to us, leaving us in an unbearable and defenceless condition in front of the questions tabled by the media and allowing the voice of the CSN as the only one to be heard. In fact, we have been informed that the Committee also agreed to implement changes to the INES manual clarifying how to handle non-safety systems when using the Guide.

Therefore, we urge your organisation in sending us the same information that was made available to the CSN in order to learn what are the reasons that made the Committee to reach such a conclusion. Once we have received such information we will deliver a press statement with our opinion on the INES Advisory Body report.

Meanwhile the only conclusion we can reach is that the IAEA can not be considered any longer as an unbiased organisation in which non-nuclear organisations can rely seeking reliable advice and we will inform Greenpeace International in this regard.

Yours truly,

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