

Joint Announcement
by
the United States Department of Energy
and the Russian Federation Ministry for Atomic Energy
Concerning
Continued Purchases of Pu-238 for Peaceful Purposes

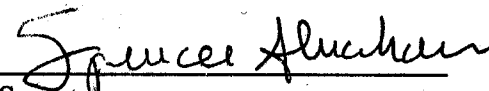
RECOGNIZING the successful cooperation between the United States Department of Energy and the Russian Federation Ministry for Atomic Energy on purchases of plutonium-238 for peaceful applications to fuel power sources that provide heat and electricity for space power;

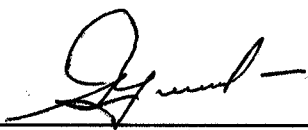
WHEREAS both sides recognize that cooperation in this area is beneficial for both countries;

Therefore, the United States Department of Energy declares its intention to resume, under the existing contract, purchases of plutonium 238 for peaceful uses for space power applications.

The Russian Federation Ministry for Atomic Energy welcomes the intention of the United States Department of Energy in resuming these purchases.

Signed at Washington, DC, May 8, 2002.


Secretary


Minister