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Subject: *In Memory Lev Vasilievich Mayorov*

Dear Dr Savoskin

We are pleased to hear that at the forthcoming seminar NEITRONIKA-2005 a special session will be dedicated to the memory of Lev Vasilievich Mayorov.

We remember Lev Vasilievich here at the OECD for his exceptional contribution to the development and application of the Monte Carlo method. His insight into both physical and mathematical aspects of problem solving led him to the development of the widely recognised MCU computer code system.

We have particularly appreciated his strong support and encouragement for the work of the OECD/NEA expert group on reactor-based plutonium disposition to which he himself has participated. His contributions and comments have always been of the highest relevance and quality. A part from his professional qualities, we have appreciated his kind manners and positive views of progress and life.

We have recently dedicated to his memory the report entitled: "VVER MOX Core Computational Benchmark Specification and Results" which will be printed shortly.

On behalf of the members of the OECD group we wish to convey to his family and his colleagues our condolences for this big loss. We will all miss him.

Yours sincerely,

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