

Protocol on the Limited Access
by United States Representatives
to Ministry of Defense Work Site Exhibitions
of Physical Protection Systems Enhancements
to the Agreement
Between the Department of Defense
of the United States of America
and the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation
Concerning Cooperation in Nuclear Weapons Storage Security
Through Provision of Material, Services, and Related Training,
dated April 3, 1995, as amended and extended

Pursuant to the Agreement Between the United States of America and the Russian Federation Concerning the Safe and Secure Transportation, Storage and Destruction of Weapons and the Prevention of Weapons Proliferation, dated June 17, 1992, and amended and extended June 15/16, 1999 and the Agreement Between the Department of Defense of the United States of America and the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation Concerning Cooperation in Nuclear Weapons Storage Security Through Provision of Material, Services, and Related Training, dated April 3, 1995, as amended June 21, 1995, May 27, 1996, April 8, 1997, January 14, 1999, November 1, 1999, June 12, 2000 and September 19, 2002, and as extended January 14, 1999 and January 25, 2000, hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement", the Department of Defense of the United States of America (DoD) and the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation (MOD), hereinafter referred to as "the Parties", hereby agree to the following:

1. This Protocol and all the activities pursuant to this Protocol shall be subject to and governed by the Agreement.
2. This Protocol provides for the limited access by the U.S. representatives (as defined in the Administrative Arrangements referred to below), for the intended purposes listed in paragraph 3 below, to MOD sites where MOD is requesting DoD assistance for the enhancement of physical protection systems pursuant to the terms of the Agreement. The provisions of this Protocol shall be implemented without prejudice to the rights of DoD to conduct audits and examinations in accordance with Article V of the Agreement, with the Administrative Arrangements for the Conduct of Audits and Examinations of Assistance, dated October 25, 1995, and with the Special Arrangements Concerning the Conduct of Audits and Examinations of Equipment Provided by the Department of Defense of the United States of America for Use By the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation at Nuclear Weapons Storage Sites, dated September 18, 1997.

3. In accordance with this Protocol, the Parties shall establish mutually acceptable Administrative Arrangements for the limited access by U.S. representatives to MOD work site exhibitions of physical protection systems enhancements at MOD nuclear weapons storage sites where DoD is providing assistance in accordance with the terms of the Agreement for the following intended purposes:

a. To assess the scope of work in order to determine the required enhancements of the existing physical protection systems at the site;

b. To observe the enhancement of the physical protection systems process in accordance with the design;

c. To confirm completed work to enhance the physical protection systems is in accordance with the design; and

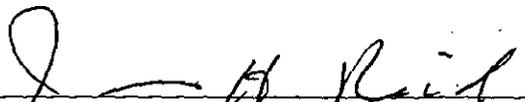
d. To observe demonstrations by MOD of the operability of Implementation Working Group (IWG)-selected aspects of the installed physical protection systems using methods developed and approved by the IWG co-chairs. The IWG is described in Paragraph 3 of the Administrative Arrangements to this Protocol. Prior to a third visit as provided for in the Administrative Arrangements, MOD shall provide DoD a written statement that the physical protection system at the site is certified for operation.

4. MOD shall allow the U.S. representatives to visit the work site exhibitions of enhancements to physical protection systems at nuclear weapons storage sites where DoD assistance is provided in accordance with the Administrative Arrangements to this Protocol.

5. MOD may make documentation concerning DoD-provided equipment available for inspection outside of the nuclear weapons storage sites.

6. This Protocol shall enter into force upon its signature by both Parties and shall remain in force for the duration of the Agreement.

DONE at Washington, this 21 day of February, 2003, and at Moscow on this 31 day of January, 2003, in two copies, each in the English and Russian languages, both texts being equally authentic.



For the Department of Defense
of the United States of America



For the Ministry of Defense
of the Russian Federation