RUSSIAN SECURITY COUNCIL SECRETARY THANKS CENESS DIRECTOR

Moscow, Russia (December 20, 2011). Russian Security Council Secretary Nikolay Patrushev has sent a letter of gratitude to CENESS Director Anton Khlopkov. General Patrushev thanked Anton Khlopkov for his active contribution to the work of the Advisory Board under the Russian Security Council.

CENESS director was appointed as a member of the Advisory Board by the Russian President's Decree No 74 of January 21, 2011 “On the Composition of the Advisory Board under the Security Council of the Russian Federation”. CENESS is the only NGO specializing in nuclear nonproliferation and nuclear energy represented on the Board.

In his letter General Patrushev wished Anton Khlopkov “further achievements in his work for the benefit of the Russian Federation” and “success with all his endeavors”.

The remit of the Advisory Board under the Security Council of the Russian Federation includes contributing to the preparation of analysis materials in support of the meetings of the Security Council and its working groups; peer review of draft documents on matters of national security; analysis of issues related to the development strategy of the Russian Federation, etc.

The permanent members of the Security Council of the Russian Federation are: the prime minister, the chief of the Presidential Administration, the secretary of the Security Council, speakers of both chambers of the Russian parliament, ministers of foreign affairs, internal affairs and defense, heads of the Foreign Intelligence Service (SVR) and the Federal Security Service (FSB). The Council is chaired by the Russian President.

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