

Sandia National Laboratories Support for NNSA Global Threat Reduction Projects

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Presentation Outline

- **NNSA NA-21 Global Threat Reduction Programs**
 - Global Nuclear Material Threat Reduction
 - Global Radiological Threat Reduction
 - Organization of NA-21

- **Sandia National Laboratories Support for GTRI Programs**
 - Support for Russian Research Reactor Fuel Return program (RRRFR)
 - Physical protection and logistical support for BN-350 Spent Fuel Storage project
 - Physical protection support for Global Research Reactor Security Program (GRRSP)



Office of Global Material Threat Reduction

- **Mission of NA-21**
 - To identify, secure, remove and/or facilitate the disposition of vulnerable, high-risk nuclear and other radiological materials around the world that pose a potential threat to the United States and the international community.
- **Goals**
 - Securing and/or removing vulnerable, high-risk nuclear and radiological materials throughout the world; and
 - Minimizing and, to the extent possible, eliminating the use of highly enriched uranium (HEU) in civil nuclear applications worldwide.
- **Program Divisions**
 - Global Nuclear Materials Threat Reduction
 - Global Radiological Threat Reduction



Global Nuclear Materials Threat Reduction

- **Reduced Enrichment for Research and Test Reactors Program**
 - Convert HEU fuel reactors (originally 106) to LEU fuel reactors
- **U.S. Foreign Research Reactor Spent Nuclear Fuel Acceptance Program**
 - Repatriating U.S. origin HEU spent fuel (41 countries) back to the United States
- **Russian Research Reactor Fuel Return Program**
 - Repatriating Soviet supplied fuel (24 research reactors) back to Russia
 - Countries must agree to convert reactors to LEU fuel



VVR-SM reactor in Tashkent

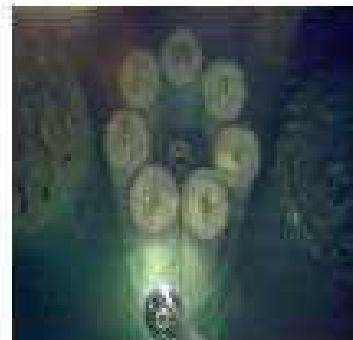
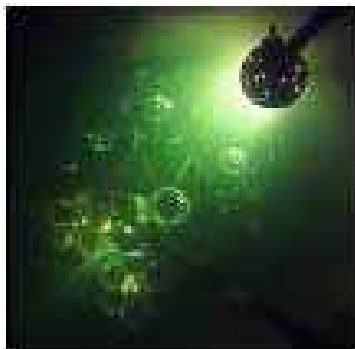


Fresh Fuel Storage Containers
at Ukraine reactor



Global Nuclear Materials Threat Reduction

- **Emerging Threats and Gap Material Program**
 - Vulnerable, high-risk nuclear & radiological materials not being addressed in other programs
- **BN-350 Spent Fuel Storage Program**
 - Securing the spent fuel of a former Soviet breeder reactor & transporting it to a more secure area
- **Global Research Reactor Security Program**
 - Securing international research reactor's fuel from theft



**BN-350 Fuel Before and After
Packaging Takes Place**



Global Radiological Threat Reduction

- **U.S. Radiological Threat Reduction Program**

- Reduce risk of radiological dispersal device by recovering excess sealed sources
- Since 1999 more that 10,000 radioactive sealed sources have been removed and secured



- **International Radiological Threat Reduction Program**

- Work with international counterparts to locate, identify, recover, consolidate and enhance the security of high-risk radioactive materials
- Security upgrades completed at more than 200 sites



National Nuclear Security Administration Office of Global Threat Reduction

- **Andrew Bieniawski**
 - Assistant Deputy Administrator & Head of NA-21 Office of Global Threat Reduction
- **NA-21 Organized by World Regions**
- **Office of North and South America Threat Reduction**
 - Nicole Nelson-Jean, Director
 - Also Coordinator of Fuel Conversion Programs
- **Office of European and African Threat Reduction**
 - Ioanna Iliopoulos, Director
 - Also Coordinator of Material Protection
- **Office of Former Soviet Union and Asian Threat Reduction**
 - Kelly Cummins, Director
 - Also Coordinator of Material Removal



SNL Support for Physical Protection (PP) of Nuclear & Radiological Materials

- **International Radiological Threat Reduction**
 - Projects in Greece, Lithuania, Egypt, & Russia.
- **International Biological Threat Reduction**
- **Site assessments for Russian Research Reactor Fuel Return**
- **BN-350 Spent Fuel Storage Project**
 - Security at temporary storage facility, during transportation, and at long term storage site.
- **Global Research Reactor Security Program**
- **PP training (IAEA courses) & research and testing of systems**



Before



After



Physical Protection Upgrade Process

- **Scope Development**

- NNSA initiation & guidance
- Vulnerability analysis
- Develop PPS concept
- Approvals of concept
 - Peer review
 - Review & approval by NNSA
 - Negotiation w/host site

- **Design**

- Place contract for design
- Conceptual design & cost estimate
- Final design & cost estimate
- Working drawings

- **Procurement & Installation**

- Place contract for equipment and installation
- Procure equipment, shipment & customs
- Installation
 - Contractor staging
 - Inspections
 - Contractor testing
 - Operator training
 - SNL performance evaluation
- Certification & commissioning

- **Sustainability**

- Maintenance of PPS
 - Maintenance support contract
 - Training
 - Spare parts
- Operational procedures
- Response force
- Assurance visits



GRRSP Project Completion Schedule

Completed

Korea

Japan

Taiwan

Czech Republic

FY06

Bulgaria

Greece

Serbia

Hungary

Portugal

Romania

FY07

Poland

Indonesia

Jamaica

Morocco

Peru

Chile

FY08

Mexico

So.Africa

Vietnam

Turkey

Libya



Questions ?????