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To the President of Russian Federation D.A. MEDVEDEV

Dear Dmitry Anatolyevich!

A drastic increase in the importance of nuclear energy quite obviously becomes one of the key strategic areas of the world economy. Russia is one of the recognized leaders in this field. This opens up unique opportunities to promote products of domestic mechanical engineering and high-tech industries on the world markets, and also gives a powerful momentum for the modernization of Russian science and industry.

There is already a tough competition over the world market of nuclear power. We need to urgently restore our industrial potential capable of creating modern high-tech equipment to enter the world market.

In particular, I'm referring to Atommash OJSC, the flagship of our nuclear engineering (Volgodonsk, Rostov region). It was designed to produce 8 sets of reactor equipment per year and was equipped with the most modern equipment, most of which was purchased from world's leading companies. By the end of 1989 "Atommash" was able to produce 4 reactor sets per year.

However, in mid-90s Atommash was led to bankruptcy and forcibly liquidated in 1999. Unique equipment has been sold for a song after repetitive write-downs and the State itself lost 30% share in this industrial giant. Fallibility of this bankruptcy is confirmed by the audit materials of the Audit Chamber of Russian Federation (Resolution of the Board of 22.02.2002 № 6(289).

Given the importance of nuclear energy development to Russia, it would be appropriate to reopen the bankruptcy case of Atommash OJSC with new circumstances specified in the materials of the Audit Chamber of RF, previously unknown to the Arbitration Court. This fact is recognized by General Prosecutor's Office of RF. The state bodies of Russia, including the leadership of State Corporation "Rosatom", support this approach. The limitation period for serious crimes against the state (15 years) has not yet expired.

However, it is necessary to bear in mind that certain persons concerned are attempting to restore the State's rights over Atommash's property complex by purchasing it from the current owner, who carried out the bankruptcy of Atommash OJSC and is now the owner of the "Energomash" company group, registered in the UK. We have doubts about the appropriateness of this approach.

I ask you to give instructions to the competent authorities to protect the national interests of Russia in such a vital area.

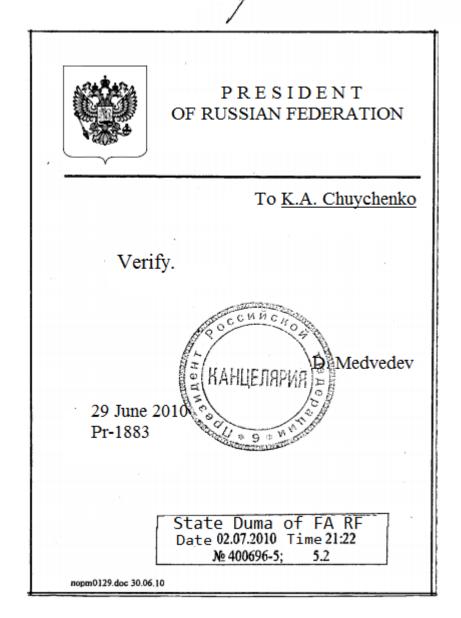
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