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Special Rapporteur on hazardous wastes**

Right of Reply

**exercised by Mr. Emin Aslanov, Second secretary of the Permanent Representation
of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the UN Office and other International
Organizations in Geneva**

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Mr. President,

We have taken the floor to exercise the right of reply to the remarks made by the delegation of Armenia.

This afternoon my colleague focused on her statement on the issue of outdated atomic plant that Armenian Government keeps using in spite the high level of risk it creates both for Armenia and for region.

Armenian delegate tried to provide us with some information about good practices. And claimed that Azerbaijan is using false accusations against Armenia on the matter.

However, this is not position of Azerbaijan only. A number of international organizations and experts have been voicing concern about this, but the country's government still turns deaf ear to these warnings.

Very recently, Mr. Dirk Lorenz, deputy head of Division for the Eastern Partnership countries at European External Action Service – a high level EU official urged Armenia **to shut down** the abovementioned extremely risky Power Plant.

Thank you.