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Dear friends of clean nuclear energy,

In 14 weeks, on April 26th, 2001, will be commemorated the 15th anniversary of the Chernobyl accident. The media will certainly present many TV interviews, press articles, radio broadcastings, and debates, about the accident and its consequences.

EFN would like, on this occasion, to inform the public in a complete and honest way concerning the causes of the Chernobyl Event: why this explosion happened ? What are the sanitary damages ? Why this event and its consequences were easily avoidable?

What happened at Chernobyl is not well known by the public, and in some cases, not even by the journalists, environmentalists or people in the nuclear industry, and we believe that it is useful to present an objective view of the events.

For these reasons, a member of the scientific committee of EFN, and leader of EFN Communication Group (GR.COM.), Jacques Frot, who has been investigating about this event since several years, has spent several months preparing a detailed document in everyday language describing the accident. After a brief description of what happened during the night of April 26th 1986, Jacques Frot analyses the causes of the explosion and of the sanitary damages which followed it.

This document is now available in English as well as in French, on EFN's web site. The English translation has been done by Berol Robinson (physicist and environmentalist, retired science officer at the Paris headquarters of UNESCO, and American correspondent of EFN).

The English and French versions of this document can be downloaded on EFN's web site :

http://www.ecolo.org/documents/documents_in_english/Causes.ChernobylJF.doc
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We will be grateful if you can just mention the source (Jacques Frot / EFN / www.ecolo.org) and publish the text without any changes.

To break the myths of Chernobyl, and get this information to reach the public, you can contribute by spreading this document around you, as widely as you wish.

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Ecologically yours,

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